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# Successful Rancher, Realtor Presides Over North British Mission

**LENARD DOYLE ROBISON**

Mission President

★ Pres. Robison was born at Garrison, Utah in 1917, and spent his early life on a ranch near Willards Creek. In 1924 the family moved to Snake Valley where he was obliged to walk 2½ miles in order to attend a little one roomed school house. A year later the family moved again, this time to Spring Valley where he rode on horseback, 5 miles to and from school in Shingle Creek. When he began the tenth year of his education it became necessary to travel an even greater distance to continue his education, so he went to live with his aunt. Following his graduation from Baker High School in 1934, he attended the L.D.S. Business College in Salt Lake City.

Four years later he married LaVon Irene Wade, and took his beautiful young bride to the Nevada Ranch which he co-partnered with his brother. There he continued to work with livestock as he had in his youth, and Sister Robison set about making a home for herself and her new husband. Later

they were blessed with two fine sons, Norman Lenard and Lowell James, both of whom filled honourable missions and returned home to marry and complete their college education, as well as giving active service in the Church. Pres. and Sister Robison now have two grandsons, one aged 3 years and the other only a few months.

Following many years of ranching and livestock work in Nevada, Pres. Robison moved to Reno, where he and his brother started a real estate and insurance business. Whatever his occupation, Pres. Robison has been actively engaged in Church responsibilities. While living in Garrison, he became a counselor in the Branch Presidency, then after moving to Reno, he served as both first and second counselor in the Mt. Rose Ward Bishopric. Prior to this he held executive positions in Sunday School and the Elders Quorum. He has been Bishop of the Mt. Rose Ward, a Stake High Councilman and later first counselor in the Stake Presidency. Before his



Pres. Lenard D. Robison and Sister LaVon I. Robison.

call as President of the North British Mission he served as a member of the Priesthood Missionary Committee and was the clerk in the Reno Stake.

Sister Robison also has a long record of Church activity including work in the ward and stake Primary, Sunday School and in the Reno Stake Relief Society Presidency. Just prior to their mission call, Sister Robison served as an In-Service leader in the Ward Primary and took part in both ward and stake Singing Mothers Choruses.

Pres. Robison tirelessly leads his adopted sons and daughters, as he calls the North British Missionaries. Having worked with the youth in the Church previously, he is able to aid and council skillfully and lovingly to all those under his charge. The key to his nature is a loving, kind disposition and a deep desire to serve the Lord. The Elders and Sisters who work under him have learned to love him for his command of the operation of the mission and his ability to meet any new challenge with humility and overcome it.

## J. ALAN CUBBON

Counselor to President Robison

★ Pres. Cubbon and his wife Beryl had just returned from their honeymoon when the missionaries called on them, so they say they made a good start to their married life when they were baptised in May 1952. After waiting fourteen years they were blessed with a longed-for son, Mark, who is now four years old. The family travel around the mission together on all possible occasions as Pres. Cubbon has many assignments that take him away from home.

In private life he is in the Confectionery business with his brothers and cousins. They manage a central bakery in Liverpool and 21 shops. When, or if, he has any spare time he likes to work in the garden, he is also keenly interested in genealogy and can claim relationship to such famous men as Fletcher Christian of Pitcairn Island, and Sir Mark Cubbon, Governor General of Mysore, India.

While Sister Cubbon has worked



North British Mission presidency, J. Alan Cubbon, left, 1st C; Pres. Robison and Ian D. Swanney, 2nd C.

mainly in M.I.A. her husband has served as counselor in the Elders Quorum, Sunday School Supt., Branch President. He was ordained High Priest and Bishop in 1960, and was District President in 1963 before being called as first counselor to Pres. Payne in 1964. He has continued to serve faithfully in this capacity for Pres. Robison.

## IAN D. SWANNEY

Counselor to Pres. Robison

★ Pres. Swanney was born in 1932 on Stronsay, one of the Orkney Islands off the North Coast of Scotland.

Because of his desire to teach he

attended the Jordanhill College of Education. Directly after his studies at university he served in the Royal Air Force as an instructor in the School of Physical Training. After leaving the services he began to teach in Fife,



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Scotland, where he met his wife Anne. Later they moved to Berkshire, England where he taught in Bracknell School for three years and at another school near Reading for four years.

In November 1961 they joined the Church, and were sealed in the Temple in 1963. They have two lovely children, David age 8 and Lorna age 4. The family now live in Elvington, where Pres. Swanney is a Lecturer at St. John's College of Education at York.

Since joining the Church he has served as a counselor and as President of the Bracknell Branch, counselor in the Reading District Presidency, Secretary to the Sunday School in York Branch, counselor in the Presidency of York Branch and was called as a counselor to Pres. Payne, continuing to serve on with Pres. Robison.

His wife has been equally active, and has worked as a teacher in Sunday School, Primary and M.I.A. in the



Branch, also in Relief Society, and has been a counselor and President of the Reading District Primary. While residing at York she has continued to work in all these auxiliaries. At the present time she is President of the Hull District Y.W.M.I.A.

### HISTORY OF "ROSSETT GREEN"

★ Just outside of Harrogate, Yorkshire on the road to Leeds, at the summit of a hill is the North British Mission Home, "Rossett Green".

"Rossett Green", built in 1904 by Sir Norman Ray, Member of Parliament, for his summer dwelling, was staffed by a full complement of maids, cooks, and gardeners until it was purchased

by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and turned over to the North British Mission.

The first Mission President to live in the home was Pres. Grant S. Thorn, in 1962. Pres. and Sister Thorn moved into the house after it was remodeled and decorated by the Church.

The servants' quarters, a medium

sized house on the corner of the grounds, serves as living quarters for the Elders of the mission staff, and the converted stables serve as print shop, and storage area for the mission home.

In the main house, the old billiard room has been converted into a modern and efficient office where there are offices for the Mission Secretary, the President's Secretary, and the Mission Recorder. The President's office is a converted study with two walls bearing

pictures of all the missionaries serving in the North British Mission.

In the summer of 1965 "Rossett Green" became the centre of activity when the North British Mission and the Northeast British Mission were combined under the leadership of Wilford H. Payne. This beautiful home which had previously been the mission home of the Northeast British Mission became the mission headquarters for the newly organised North British Mission.



View from "Rossett Green" home of the North British Mission.



# 20,000 Members Within Mission

★ The North British Mission reaches from the Scottish border, coast to coast as far south as Sheffield. Within the mission area which includes the Manchester, Leeds and Sunderland Stakes are 20,000 members who make up 75 congregations. Many of these congregations are housed in the 25 new chapels which have been built in the last five years.

The North British Mission is a cradle of modern Israel. It is almost as if the Lord held Britain in His hands. In an otherwise darkened world, He prepared its people to receive the Gospel; and when liberty and industry and religious reformation had been established here, He whispered to His prophet;

"Let my servant Heber go to England and proclaim my Gospel and open the door of salvation to that nation."

The man the Lord had called was Heber C. Kimball, an apostle. Penniless, he came with Orson Hyde, Willard Richards, Joseph Fielding and three other missionaries to England. When they arrived at Liverpool, in councils of prayer, pleading with the Lord to bless their labours—they received inspiration to continue to Preston Lancashire. It was July 22, 1837, and as their coach entered the town where they would first declare the Gospel in this land, they saw an election banner in the street and joyfully accepted 'it as an omen. It said: "Truth Will Prevail."



Mission Staff and assistants to Pres. Robison, from left, front, Elder Randall Mack, assistant; Sister Ina Lynne Tolman, President's secretary; Elder Eric Despain, assistant; back, Elder Russell Baxter, mission lithographer; Elder Dennis Garner, mission recorder, Elder Terry Bird, mission secretary.

"Amen," they cried, "Truth will prevail."

Elder Fielding's brother was a minister in Preston. Through the mail he had heard of the Restoration and with his congregation had been praying for the messengers who would come and teach them of it. He invited the brethren, without their asking, to preach to them on Sunday, the next day. So in the Vauxhall Chapel at 3.00 p.m., Elder Kimball rose before an unusually large gathering and declared "that an angel had visited earth and committed the everlasting Gospel to man." "Glory to God" his hearers exclaimed.

The elders kept preaching, that evening and the next Wednesday, until the Reverend Fielding realised that the believers would soon leave his congregation. But the restoration had already been declared and the first baptism set for the following Sunday. It was agreed that Elder Kimball should baptise in the River Ribble, not far from Preston.

Elder Kimball baptised nine individuals the following morning, before over 7,000 people who had gathered on the banks to watch. Calls came from everywhere to preach, but the elders could not fill them all. By Christmas day, there were two dozen branches flourishing, and they met in the famous Preston "Cockpit" for the first British Mission Conference.

Then the apostles came; ultimately eight were here at once. They left their homes scarcely well enough to walk or

left destitute families, sometimes both. John Taylor and Wilford Woodruff came first, three days before the first Scottish baptism, and Elder Taylor stayed to work in Liverpool. He addressed a congregation there that had heard a perverted form of the Gospel from an enemy of the Church, and he baptised many. He taught his wife's family and they believed. Their name was Cannon: they were the parents of George Q. Cannon, who was first counselor to three Church Presidents, and the progenitor of a great Latter-day Saint posterity.

Those who have visited John Benbow's farm know that only divine guidance could have led Elder Woodruff to that obscure place. Even today, with highways and detailed maps, it is difficult to find. Yet he walked 26 miles, slept, rode 35 miles on a coach and walked 15 miles—and at last was moved to call at the home of a wealthy farmer, John Benbow. It turned out to be the meeting place for an independent church group, 600 strong, 45 of them were licensed preachers—called the United Brethren. Elder Woodruff declared to the man who welcomed him that he had "been sent to him by the commandment of God . . . to preach the Gospel of life to him."

He preached on the farm and elsewhere in the village, baptising all but one of the 600 United Brethren. A certain irate rector dispatched the constable to arrest Elder Woodruff—the

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constable agreed to let Elder Woodruff preach his scheduled sermon before taking him—and afterwards he volunteered for baptism. Then the rector sent his two clerks to spy. They volunteered also. In all, over 1,800 souls were baptised in the small pond at Benbow's Farm.

By April, 1840, eight apostles, Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball, John Taylor, Wilford Woodruff, Orson and Parley P. Pratt, George A. Smith and Willard Richards were in Britain. The full mission organisation was instituted

and the Millennial Star was begun. In spite of the growing opposition, there were more and more baptisms—and at the mission conference 2,500 members and 80 branches were reported.

Inspiring stories of the missions here in the British Isles do not stop with these auspicious beginnings, but space prevents the telling of more. But all the events of the great era that began here, in the North British Mission in 1847 led to a glorious climax, the dedication of the London Temple.



North British Mission Home and Office.



# A Special Message From Pres. Lenard Robison

★ When we accepted the call to preside over the North British Mission, it was with great fear and trembling. We realised the great task was far greater than we had ever experienced. But we truly had a sincere desire in our hearts and dedication to the Lord's work to go and do our very best to help the Lord's work progress here in the Motherland, this great land of England.

We feel it the greatest privilege of our lives. Our lives have been greatly enriched and made much better and happier through mingling with you wonderful people of the North British Mission.

It is a very gratifying experience to watch our young missionaries grow from anxious youths to mature adults. Perhaps the mission field is a harsh training ground for this process, but it is quite thorough. There is great wisdom in sending late teenagers and early twenty year olds on missions, both for the excellent service they render for the Church and for the testimonies and knowledge they receive through this service for others. They actually arrive here very inexperienced for their assignments. The kind of experience they lack is the type that can only be had in the mission field. The humility and self discipline necessary to be a successful missionary is largely acquired here. In a testimony meeting an Elder who had served a two year assignment in the U.S. Army, said it was easier to be a good soldier than a good missionary.

Just how successful a missionary is, is left up to him. It is God's plan that we stand on our own. No one can give us happiness, a testimony of the Gospel or exaltation. You cannot buy honesty, an honourable companion in marriage or a college degree. All these important items and many others, one acquires on his own. And I know of no more wonderful place for any young man or woman to get better training in all of these than right here in the North British Mission. Here they learn to meet the realities of life. There are few limits in this life for the person who has

sufficient of two attributes, humility and self-discipline. That is what we see develop in these fine young missionaries as well as a great love for others.

To us our young missionaries are 10 feet tall, not in stature but in what they are and what they stand for.

It is wonderful to be here in England where we can share the greatest gift any one can possibly have, that of a testimony of the truthfulness of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To be able to share it with the English people is wonderful. We pray continually that God will touch the hearts of these people, give them a sincere desire to know of this truth. We pray that they will pray for guidance in seeking it, that it might become a part of their great lives, also

I know without a shadow of doubt that God lives. He does hear and answer our prayers. His Son, Jesus Christ, gave His life to atone for our sins, giving us the opportunity to return back into His presence if we are obedient to His commandments. I know that the Prophet Joseph Smith was an instrument in His hands in restoring the Gospel of Jesus Christ in its fulness to the earth once more. We have a living Prophet standing at the head of our Church today, our beloved David O. McKay, who does receive revelation from God and governs the Church in this last dispensation.

It is our sincere humble prayer that the Lord will be able to touch the hearts of His sons and daughters here in this great land.

### WORK

"A man is neither happy nor effective in the cause if he is not one with his fellows."  
—Stephen L. Richards

# Crest and Shield Of The North British Mission

★ The crest and shield of the North British Mission serves as a constant reminder that the magnitude of this calling is unequaled on earth. The missionaries serve the Master, Himself, as they struggle to help carry His Kingdom forward. It symbolises the hope that the missionaries may, at the conclusion of their missions be able to say, as did Paul of old "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

## The Crest

Moroni depicts the declaration of the Gospel to every nation, kindred and people. As members and missionaries of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints it represents the Restored Gospel of Jesus Christ.

## The Shield Banner Sword

The Banner represents friendship and fellowship to all men .

The Sword serves as a reminder that this land is a choice land where many stalwart and noble souls reside. As modern day heralds of truth it represents the challenge given by a Prophet to build the Kingdom of God with many solid converts.



## Scrolls

These depict the "Stick of Judah"

## Gold Plates

The Gold Plates represent the "Stick of Joseph".

## Map of the Mission

This shows the great land of the missionary endeavours.

## Temple

The Temple represents determination on our part to accept the challenge given and to follow it through. It means that those accepting it will live clean honourable lives; challenging and testifying by the Spirit of God and literally leading people into the truth regardless of opposition from the forces of evil.



# Sisters Conference

★ Early this year the Sister Missionaries of The North British Mission assembled at "Rossett Green" for a Sisters' Conference, themed to "BUILD THE WHOLE WOMAN OR YOU HAVE NOT BUILT WELL." The Sisters in attendance were Sisters Alexander, Bartlett, Dowhaniuk, Foley, Gale, Hatch, Kempson, Meachen, Ricks, and Sister Tolman along with Sister Norma Sepp and our dearly loved Mission Mother Sister Robison.

Each one prepared a short talk on the attributes and qualities of different women of the Bible. In each talk the sister showed how these same qualities can be applied in our own lives and help us to become better daughters of our Heavenly Father. The different Bible women were, Mother Eve, Mary Mother of Jesus, Mary Magdalene, Rebecca, Rachel, Esther, Naomi, Ruth, Leah Dunford Widtsoe, Sarah wife of Lehi and from our times Lucy Mack, Emma and Mary Fielding Smith, and our dearly

loved Sister McKay.

A special intermediate song was sung by Sister Betty Rose Foley and Sister Ian Lynne Tolman accompanied by Elder DeMeade H. Austin. They sang a very appropriate number titled "How Fair Is the Daughter of Zion". The meeting concluded by each bearing testimony. After the closing prayer all assembled in the formal dining room of "Rossett Green" for lunch. Sister Sepp cooked a lovely lunch.

At each place setting was a booklet of thoughts. Each sister was also given a booklet titled "The Art of Rearing Children Peacefully" By Sister McKay. Sister Robison and Sister Sepp did a beautiful job of organising the programme and the luncheon. After lunch arrangements were made for the sisters to arrive at the train station and return to their proselyting areas. The meeting was wonderful, full of love, peace and harmony, under a true spirit of sisterhood.



## Convert Has Known Presidents

★ Sister Wray has served her Father in Heaven most faithfully over these past six years and continues to in keeping the Mission Home in spic and span order. Sister Wray, whom we love and appreciate, tells her own story.

"In those days Burnhope was a village of about 2,000 population. I went to Catholic School at Lancaster, about two and a half miles from home, there being no Catholic School at Burnhope. I left school when I was 14 years of age. I have two brothers and one sister, and we were all brought up in the Catholic Faith. My Father and Mother were very strict Catholics. My Mother died when I was 9 years old, and with being the eldest child I had to help a lot in the home and also look after

my brothers and sisters. Eventually my father married again, and at the age of 17 I came to Harrogate to take up work in a doctors house as kitchen maid, with the intention of learning to be a cook. I attended the St. Roberts Catholic Church regularly whilst there. After being in Harrogate a while I met my future husband, and we were married when I was nearly 23.

We have been happily married now for **38 years**, and have **7 children** and **15 grandchildren**. Members of the Mormon Church started calling at our home about  $7\frac{1}{2}$  years ago, and we had many happy evenings together talking and reading of the Mormon faith. Eventually I was baptised on October 25, 1962 by Elder Dennis Douglas Weir and Elder Michael Duckworth. In one of our evening talks Elder Weir happened to mention about Sister Thorn who with her husband at that time was president in charge at Rossett Green needing help in the cleaning of the two mission houses. Elder Weir showed me around the Mission Home and I volunteered to help Sister Thorn.

There have now been three visiting presidents at the Mission Home. Firstly President and Sister Thorn, then President and Sister Robison. I have found it a great pleasure and service to meet and work for such wonderful people. I have also come in contact with the hundreds of Elders and Sisters who have had the pleasure of coming to the North British Mission Home."



Sister Mary Wray



★ In the accompanying photograph are the district presidencies of the North British Mission together with the mission presidency.

First row are, Jack Spurr, Hull District clerk; Ambrose Worthington, 1st counselor, Preston District; Pres. Herbert Shorrocks, Preston District; Clifford Roberts, Liverpool District clerk; George Hoare, 2nd counselor, Liverpool District; Peter J. Everitt, 2nd counselor, Grimsby District; Pres. Arthur R. Jenner, Grimsby District.

Second row, Rodney Britton, Lake District clerk; Stewart Irvine, 1st counselor, Lake District; Pres. Ronald Hughes Lake District; Pres. John Hender, Liverpool District; Wilfred Elrey, 1st counselor, Grimsby District; John Jones, 1st counselor, Liverpool District.

Third row, J. Alan Cubbon, 1st counselor in mission presidency; Mission Pres. Lenard D. Robison and Ian D Swanney, 2nd counselor in mission presidency.

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## North British Mission Staff

★ A large family billard room now serves as the Mission Office for the North British Mission. The mission staff always cheerful and busy at work, open the office at 9 a.m. and close at 6 p.m.

Each day the Elders and Sister accomplish much, and in the evening, each missionary proselytes. Many times the members of the Harrogate Branch are called upon to assist the Elders and



Sister because of the small staff. Day to day they continue on in the work of the Lord and are striving diligently to build the Harrogate Branch.

Elder Eric R. Despain and Elder Randall K. Mack are serving as Pres. Robinson's Assistants. The busy days are often tiring but as Elder Despain and Elder Mack say "Serving the Lord with Pres. Robison is one of our greatest blessings bestowed upon us". Elder Despain is from Centerfield, a small town outside of Gunnison, Utah, Elder Mack is from Salt Lake City, Utah.

Elder Terry D. Bird, from Provo, Utah, is serving as the Mission Secretary. Elder Bird realizes the importance of his calling and always strives to accomplish two days into one, but never seems

to succeed for the days just aren't long enough.

Sister Ina Lynne Tolman, from Whittier, California, is always busy typing as she serves as President Robison's Secretary. Sister Tolman also does typing for Sister Robison, president of the Relief Society of the Mission.

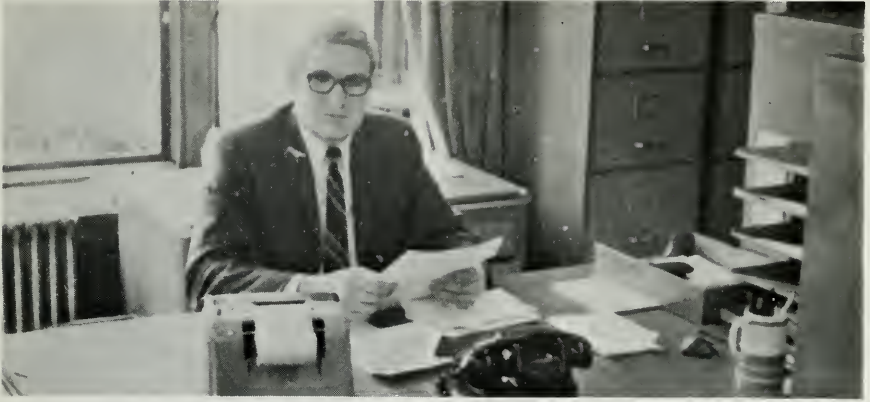
The Mission Recorder is Elder Dennis F. Garner, who is from Ontario, Oregon. Elder Garner has found that the membership records of the Church are very important and always has an eye single to his work.

Cha-Grindela the mission printing press is run by Elder Russell J. Baxter who is from Salt Lake City, Utah, serving as the Mission Lithographer.



Mission Relief Society presidency from left, front, Marjorie Jenner, 2nd C, East; Alice Hughes, 2nd C, West; back, Dorothy Shorrock, 1st C, West; Pres. LaVon I. Robison, Ann Eley, secretary.

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Elder Terry D. Bird, mission secretary.



Elder Roylance, and Elder Dennis Garner, mission recorder.



Elder Despain and Elder Petersen, assistants to president.

**MISSION FOOD REPAIRER**

Sister Norma Sep

★ We have a very, very, very special lady at "Rossett Green". Her name is Norma Sepp. Better known at the mission home as the Master Food Repairer. She gets this name because she can make any kind of Left-over into a dish fit for a King. She is terrifically terrific. We all love her so. On the side-line she has a great talent as seamstress too. She fattens our missionaries up and then graciously volunteers any time to keep their clothes together. In the process of eating all those dishes she cooks the Elders gain a little here and there and so sometimes trousers have to be let out, buttons sewed on, and collars on shirts turned, etc. She is always willing to help in any way. She is a beautiful seamstress. With the beautiful tartan wool materials here in Great Britain she has made many shirts for the Elders and Sisters. Sister Sepp is in her second term now at the North British Mission. She served for three years with Pres. and Sister Wilford Payne, returned home to Seattle for 14 months and is now back for another two years.

In her spare time she takes care of the mail in the office, teaches a Sunday School class and is Relief Society President of the Harrogate Branch. We at Rossett Green couldn't get along without her. She is so pleasant with everyone she meets, never has an unkind thing to say about anyone. She is the sweetest person you could ever want to meet and is loved by all.



Norma Sepp, mission home cook.

★ "I was born in Idaho and lived there until I was married when we moved to Seattle, Washington. I have been active in Relief Society and Sunday School holding various positions within these two auxiliaries. Because Pres. Payne previously served as my Bishop and Stake President in Seattle when he was called to serve as President of the Northeast British Mission in July of 1964 he and Sister Payne wrote and asked me to come to England to help in the mission home. I stayed three years until September 1967 several weeks after President and Sister Robison came. I went home with the Manchester Choir Group and rejoined my family. Once again at home I served in the Relief Society. After almost a year at home President Robison called me to return to England and the mission home. I am very happy to be here.



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## MEMBERSHIP, BRANCH AND DISTRICT BREAKDOWN

8,000 Members  
5 Mission Districts  
33 Mission Branches  
3 Stakes of Zion

Total Church Membership within the boundaries of the Mission is over 20,000 members.

The North British Mission has the largest Church membership of any of the missions in Great Britain. Its boundaries extend below Liverpool on the West to Cleethorpes on the East from coast to coast as far North as the Scottish Boarder.

## BRANCH AND DISTRICT BREAKDOWN

Grimsby District, Arthur R. Jenner, President

Branches:

Grimsby-Cleethorpes, Howard Lloyd, President  
Scarborough, Edward Reynolds, President  
Worksop, Thomas Betteridge, President

Hull District, James E. Holmes, President

Branches:

Beverley, Geoffrey Dunning, President  
East Hull, Ian Taylor, President  
Scarborough, Edward Reynolds, President  
Harrogate, Christopher Walker, President  
West Hull, Emil G. Hess, President  
York, Alwyn B. Pooley, President

Lake District, Ronald Hughes, President

Branches:

Carlisle, Gerald Ramsbottom, President  
Kendal, Paul Stewart, President  
Barrow-in-Furness, George Caddell, President  
Morecambe-Lancaster, Fredrick Jacksen, President  
Wokington, Missionary, William F. Jensen

Liverpool District, John G. Hender, President

Branches:

Crosby, James E. Brown President  
Leigh, Missionary, Richard Williams  
Liverpool, Peter Gibson, President  
Northwich, Harry Fowler, President  
Southport, Peter Watson, President  
St. Helens, Harold Dickinson, President  
Warrington, Boris Roberts, President  
Widnes-Runcorn, D. Bradbury, President  
Wigan, Hugh M. Ross, President  
Wirral, William McKee, President

Preston District, Herbert Shorrock, President

Branches:

Accrington, Allan Counsell, President  
Blackburn, Walter Moorley, President  
Blackpool, Harold Abery, President  
Bolton, Dennis Boydell, President  
Burnley, Albert Pickup, President  
Eccles, Charles A. Brady, President  
Nelson, John Green, President  
Preston, Brian Deane, President  
Rawtenstall, Rodney Keeble, President



Beverly Chapel, Hull District.

## Grimsby District

### **ARTHUR ROBERT JENNER**

Grimsby District President

★ Pres. Arthur Jenner and his wife Marjorie joined the Church in 1951, with their three sons: John, David and Christopher. This was the happiest day of their lives. For over seventeen months Sister Jenner had waited patiently for Brother Jenner to accept baptism, but in the meantime they had been very active in the Grimsby Branch.

Brother Jenner was first called as Hull District President and remained in this position until the Districts were divided and then he became the Grimsby District President. Brother Wilford Eley was called to be the first counselor and Brother Arthur Hickman, second counselor to Pres. Jenner.

Sister Jenner has worked in the Relief Society for sixteen years, and is presently a counselor to Sister Robinson in the Relief Society Presidency. Pres. Jenner has worked as District and Branch Chorister and in the Sun-



Grimsby District presidency, Wilfred Eley, 1st C; Pres. Arthur R. Jenner and Arthur N. D. Hickman, 2nd C.

day School and Primary.

John, their Eldest son, served a mission in Southern Australia, and is now married and living in Salt Lake City.

During the time Brother and Sister Jenner have been in the Church they have seen four new chapels built in the Hull area, and two in the Grimsby area.

### **WORKSOP BRANCH**

Branch President—

Pres. Thomas Betteridge

★ The missionaries opened up the town of Worksop, North Nottinghamshire in 1961 but services didn't start to be held in the town until January 1962. The services at this time being held in rooms which were used as a dance studio in the week. The branch moved from this hall and started to

hold their services in a school hall which was very comfortable in summer but in the winter was bitterly cold as the heating never seemed to work. Then just over two years ago after much searching the branch found some rooms in the centre of Worksop which were available on a rental basis with the



Workshop Branch presidency. Roger Galloway, left, 1st C; Pres. Thomas Betteridge, Alan H. Maynard, 2nd C; Geoffrey Tonks, clerk.

saints having them just for their own use. These rooms the saints decorated themselves with the help of the missionaries and it provided the branch with a pleasant centre from which to direct their activities. We do of course hope that one day soon we will see a chapel built in Workshop.

Workshop Branch is in the heart of "The Dukeries" and much lovely countryside is close at hand. Nearby is Sherwood Forest where is said once Robin Hood lived and people still travel from many countries to see the famous 'Major Oak'. The branch was originally in the Central British Mission but due to boundary changes it came part of the Northeast British Mission and then part of the North British Mission. We became members of the Grimsby District which meant that the members had to develop the desire to travel as the nearest branch to us in the district was 50 miles away.

Even though the branch is small in

numbers it is big in spirit and the members try at all times to help each other and share each others joys. Everyone in the branch has several callings in the Church which keeps everyone busy, but also helps us all to gain more joy by serving in the Gospel.

The Branch Presidency is a youthful one—the eldest member being 30 years young and the youngest being 23 years old. The Presidency consists of Pres. Thomas Betteridge, 1st counselor, Roger Galloway and 2nd counselor, Alan H. Maynard, who has also served as a previous branch president. Brother Geoffrey Tonks is presently serving as the Branch Clerk.

In April this year the branch had a "Finda Member Week" during which all the members in some way helped the missionary effort. Members tracted, street surveyed and taught lessons together and with the missionaries. The week was a success as the sisters found a young man who accepted the Book of Mormon, came to the Open house and received the discussions. We are happy to report that Brother Tony Tuttle was baptised in May and has just been ordained to the priesthood.

### WILLIAM COLLIER

Scunthorpe Branch President

★ Pres. Collier was born in Liverpool. His father was a seaman, which made his life very interesting. He was a Roman Catholic until 1958, when he was taught the Gospel by the missionaries and was baptised on October 11, 1958. He married Betty Chambers who



at that time already had 6 children (she was a L.D.S.) and now they have been blessed with two more lovely children. He was first called as a Branch President after being in the Church for 12 months. His wife and family were sealed in the Temple on November 10, 1962, which has made their life even happier.

Pres. Collier's counselors are Brother John Lee and Brother William Hadley.



Pres. William Collier, Scunthorpe Branch

### HOWARD LLOYD

Grimsby-Cleethorpes Branch president

★ Pres. Lloyd joined the Church 18 years ago. He and his wife, Jessie, were sealed in the Temple on April 18, 1959. They have three girls and one boy. Pres Lloyd's counselors are Bro. Benjamin W. Caster and Bro. Christopher Wright.

## Five Called From Mission As Full-Time Missionaries

★ The Lord has truly blessed the North British Mission and the Saints who reside within its bounds, for we have been blessed with five of it's Saints now proselyting as full-time missionaries. Sister Hazel Gregory who is from the Blackburn Branch, Preston District is now serving in the Central German Mission.

Elder Anthony Calvert resided in the Burnley Branch, Preston District before leaving for his field of labour, the British Mission.

Elder Ronald William Taylor prior to leaving for the British Mission lived in the Nelson Branch, Preston District. Elder Taylor entered the mission field in November 1968, and says that he is very appreciative of this opportunity of serving the Lord.

Elder David John Wood now serving in the Southwest British Mission, before his mission resided in the Scunthorpe Branch, Grimsby District. Before Elder Wood departed from the mission he served in the Branch Presidency as the Branch Clerk, a great experience. Elder Wood entered the Southwest

British Mission on February 18, 1969 and is enjoying his proselyting very much.

Elder Geoffrey David Theakston-Thomas is our youngest missionary, Elder Thomas left from the mission home on June 2, 1969 after being set apart by mission President Robison the previous day. Elder Thomas is the newest and youngest missionary who has left the mission to this day. Before leaving for his mission he lived in the

West Hull Branch, Hull District. This is an experience that Elder Thomas had dreamed about and looked forward to for quite awhile, one which brought him great joy when he received his mission call.

Our sincere prayers are with each of our missionaries praying for their success, health and a continued strong testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and dedication to the work of the Lord. May the Lord continue to bless them for the Lord's chosen people.



### FREDRICK JACKSON

Morecambe-Lancaster Branch president

★ Pres. Jackson is a native of Oldham, Lancashire and joined the Church May 20, 1961. He and his wife, Joan, were sealed in the Temple April 27, 1963. They have two boys and one girl.

Pres. Jackson's counselor is Bro. Willie B. Baines.



### JOHN CADDELL

Barrow -In-Furnes Branch president

★ Pres. Caddell was born in Mansfield, Nottingham. He was baptised April 27, 1963. On April 11, 1964 he and Sis. Annie Mary Brag Cadell were sealed in the Temple. They have five children.

His first counselor is Eric Mugreave.

### CHARLES GRADY

Eccles Branch president

★ Pres. Grady was born in Eccles, Lancashire. He came into the Church Feb. 17, 1964 and married Joan Doreen, March 28, 1964.

His counselor is Bro. Maurice Nolan.



Hull District presidency, Jack Spurr, clerk; Peter J. Everitt, 2nd C; James E. Holmes, president, Hull District above

### JAMES E. HOLMES

Hull District President

★ Pres. Holmes was the eldest of four children. After completing his education he spent five years in the Royal Air Force, following which he was employed as a carpenter and joiner.

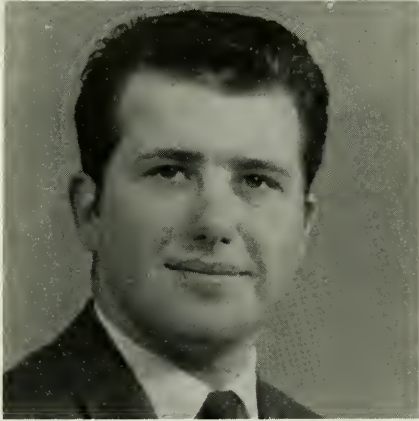
In February of 1952, the missionaries met him one morning and told him about the Church. Shortly thereafter he was baptised and has since been active in the Church.

Hull District presidency, Jack Spurr, clerk; Peter J. Everitt, 2nd C; James E. Holmes, president, Hull District above

Pres. Holmes met his wife in Church and was married in the Hull Branch Chapel in September of 1954. The Holmes have four children all of whom are active in the Church.

Sister Holmes has held many positions in the Branch, District and Mission. She was the North British YWMA President.

Pres. Holmes has filled many callings in the Church also, including service as Hull Branch President and Currently as Hull District President.



Geoffrey Denning, Beverly Branch pres.

#### **GEOFFREY DUNNING**

Beverley Branch President

★ Pres. Dunning was born in Cottingham, Yorkshire. His first contact with the Church was through M.I.A. and was baptised on May 3rd, 1962. He married a young lady Suzette Towne whom he met the first night he attended Mutual. They were married March 6th, 1965 and the following week were sealed in the Temple. The Dunnings now have two daughters. Pres. Dunning reports that his wife, Suzette, encourages him in every phase of Church work.

Pres. Dunning's counselors are Brother David T. Fenwick and Brother Alan Kennington.

#### **IAN TAYLOR**

East Hull Branch President

★ Pres. Taylor was born the son of a

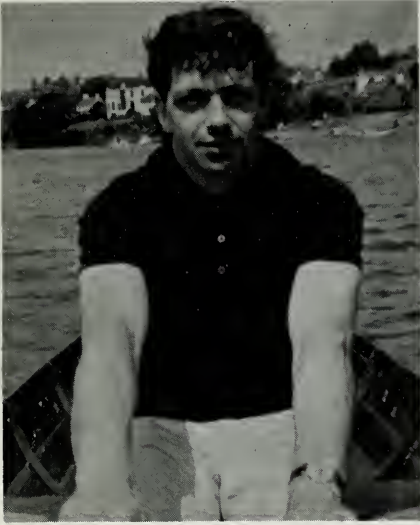


Scarborough Chapel, Hull District.



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Ian Taylor, East Hull Branch president.

passively religious mother and non-religious father.

He joined the Church at the age of 18 years through the Base-ball programme, and within 14 months was serving on a mission as a building missionary. He worked in Romford and then in East Hull, where he is presently residing as the Branch President.

He has served the Lord in many ways, such as Elders Group Leader, in the Sunday School, and as Branch Clerk.

He met his wife Christine Stone Taylor while serving on his building mission. Christine and Ian were married a short time after he became Branch President. They were married in the East Hull Chapel and then went to the London Temple, in the autumn of 1968.

Pres. Taylors counselors are Brother John C. Kennington, and Brother F. Graham Barber.

### SCARBOROUGH BRANCH

Branch President Pres. Edward Reynolds

★ The Scarborough Branch was first opened some 20 years ago when the Barker family met two missionaries on the train and were converted. They held meetings in the Barker home until the branch increased and they moved into a Chocolate Factory and converted it into a two story chapel. This chapel was used for nine years until a new chapel was built. The members of the branch now enjoy a beautiful new chapel and are striving to increase their membership. The oldest member of the branch is Sister Edith Kendal who is 86 years, a faithful and strong member, who still attends all of her meetings each week.

Pres Reynolds was called to be the branch President of the Scarborough Branch just after he was baptised eight months ago. He married Eileen Louth and they were sealed in the London Temple on January 10, 1959. Pres. and Sister Reynolds are proud of their family. Their son Michael has served as a missionary and they feel very blessed to belong to the Scarborough Branch.

### WEST HULL BRANCH

Branch President—Pres. Emil G. Hess

★ The West Hull Branch has an outstanding Branch Presidency with Emil G. Hess as Branch President, Terrence



West Hull Branch presidency, from left, Dennis Sanderson, 2nd C; Pres. Emil G. Hess, Terrence Wileman, 1st C; Paul E. Knott, clerk.

Wileman as 1st counselor, Dennis Sanderson 2nd counselor, and Paul E. Knott as Branch Clerk.

Pres. Hess is a convert of about 11 years and loves the Church considerably as is shown in his dedication to the work of the Lord. He was just recently called as Branch President and prior to this call has filled various positions in the Branch and in Hull District. Pres. Hess has served in the Adult Aaronic, as assistant superintendent in Sunday School, Elders Group Leader, Branch Clerk, and as a Branch President in 1963-64, then as District Councilman, and just before his present calling as a counselor in the Hull District Presidency.

He has been blessed with a loving wife Florence and they were married on June 3, 1939 and sealed in the London Temple on September 3, 1960.

They have two children, Olga and Moira

Brother Wileman who is presently serving as the first counselor in the branch presidency has a strong testimony and says that working in the Church has brought his family and himself more joy than they could have ever found elsewhere. He married Marina Novis and just recently they were sealed in the Temple.

Brother Sanderson has been a member of the Church 6 years and has served a two year mission as a Building Missionary, working on various chapels and projects. He has served as General Secretary, also in the Aaronic Youth, Counselor in YMMIA, Sunday School Superintendent, and a 2nd counselor.

Brother Knott came in contact with the Church through the Baseball Baptism programme. He has a great love for the Gospel and has a very strong

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testimony of its truthfulness.

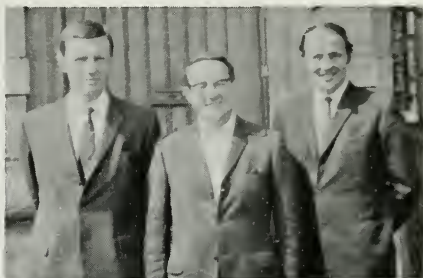
### RONALD HUGHES

Lake District President

★ Pres. Hughes was born the 11th child of 14 children. He met his wife Alice at the age of 14, in fact, Pres. Hughes says Alice was the best looker of the neighbourhood. They were married February 17, 1940 and were blessed with a lovely son and daughter.

They were introduced to the Church in 1950 and were baptised after a succession of missionaries in October of 1951. After their baptism Sister Hughes immediately had the opportunity of serving in the Primary and Pres. Hughes was called to serve as assistant in the Sunday School. Within a matter of months he was called as Branch President. Then in 1960 he was called to be 2nd counselor in the Liverpool District Presidency. Sometime after this he was made Bishop of Preston Ward in the Manchester Stake. After the amalgamation of the "North British" and the "Northeast British" Mission, Pres. Hughes was called as Pres. Payne's assistant. He is now Lake District President.

Their children are now married and President and Sister Hughes are the proud grandparents of three grandchildren. The family has always been happy but Pres. Hughes says "... It wasn't until 1959, the 24th of January, in fact, that our happiness was made complete, because on that day we were sealed together in the Temple together with our children."



Lake District presidency, Rodney Britton, clerk; Pres. Ronald Hughes, Stewart Irvin, 1st C.

### CARLISLE BRANCH

Branch President—

Pres. Gerald Ramsbottom

★ Pres. Ramsbottom was born in February 1928 to a wonderful but not rich family. When he was a small child he was scalded down his left leg rather badly, this caused him to be subject to epileptic fits, the last of which he had in his sixteenth year. Because of this injury he was unable to take part in sporting activities. He was seventeen when he first learned to ride a cycle.

He says "I served for two years in



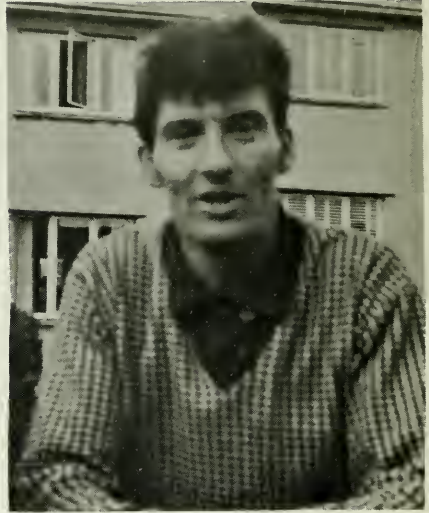
Carlisle Branch presidency, Alistair Welsh, 2nd C; Rodney Britton, 1st C; Sister Britton, Pres. Gerald Ramsbottom

the Royal Air Force. I first met my wife at my sister's birthday party and I knew even before I spoke to her that she would be my wife, in fact, I told a friend that I was going to marry her even though at that time I was courting another girl. We were married on the 22nd of July, 1952, and the following years were spent in perfect marital bliss. On June 22nd, 1958 our happiness became complete when my wife presented me with a son, whom we named Colin.

For the first time in seven years something came into our lives that we could not share responsibility for, the Elders of the Church brought the restored Gospel to our home. I was able to accept that the Gospel had been restored and that the missionaries had the authority to act in the name of God, and was baptised on August 29th, 1959.

On September 14, 1963 our branch held a Ground Breaking day under the direction of Pres. Alva D. Green of the N.B.M. And on September 20th the work on the Chapel commenced under the supervision of Elder Joseph Wallace and was to continue for the next three years. I was allotted a wonderful privilege and it was that of being the first to baptise in the new chapel. Elder James A. Cullimore, Assistant to the Twelve Apostles, dedicated the Chapel.

One highlight of my life was July 17, 1960 when I was able to baptise my beautiful wife in the Sunderland Chapel. Yes the Gospel of Jesus Christ has brought the Carlisle Branch and my



Pres. Paul Stewart, Kendal Branch.

family an eternal type of joy. I want to express at this time my thanks and appreciation for the wonderful support the members and leaders of the branch have given me especially my 1st counselor Brother Rodney Britton, 2nd counselor Alistair J. Welsh and my wonderful wife Kathleen.

#### KENDAL BRANCH

Branch President— Pres. Paul Stewart

★ A young man full of love, understanding and patience is Pres. Paul Stewart who is presently presiding over the Kendal Branch. Pres. Stewart was born in Kendal and came in contact with the Church in 1967. In October 1968 he was called to serve as the Branch President.

In March 1955 he married Sylvia Margaret Watson and has three lovely



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children. Pres. Stewart says that the happiest day in their life was when their family were able to be sealed in the London Temple on July 27, 1968. Sister Stewart is a very active member of Relief Society and has served as Relief Society President.

Pres. Stewart has a 2nd love, the first being the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the other being athletics. He is a founder-member of the Amateur Athletic Clubs and in 1961 was the chairman of the Windermere Club. He is now in his twentieth seasons of athletics, and feels very blessed to be able to be in athletics and especially to be a member of Christ's Church.

### WORKINGTON BRANCH

Branch President—

Elder Lloyd Thomas Jensen

★ On the western edge of the Lake District, bordering the Irish Sea is the

industrial town of Workington. In Workington, and serving a fairly large geographical area, is the Workington Branch. The branch boundaries include such towns as Maryport, Whitehaven, and Cockermouth. In Whitehaven John Paul Jones (the father of the American Navy) served his apprenticeship and returned years later to bombard the town. Cockermouth is the birthplace of Wordsworth, the famous poet whose name is indelibly written into the hearts and heritage of the British people. Also within the branch boundary is the small hamlet of Eaglesfield, the birthplace of John Dalton, the first man to split the atom.

The Branch is relatively young, being formed in 1962. But in those seven years the membership has reached 101 members. Elder Jensen, a full-time missionary is presently serving as the Branch President and Peter Styles as the Branch Clerk.



York Chapel, Hull District.



Liverpool District presidency, Clifford Roberts, clerk; Pres. John G. Hender, John Jones, 1st C; George Hoare, 2nd C.

### JOHN GARFIELD HENDER

Liverpool District President

★ Pres. Hender was born into a religious family. He married Ann Wilkinson on November 4, 1961 shortly after completing his military service. September of 1964 was the first time Pres. and Sister Hender were introduced to the Gospel. They were baptised a few months later, in December. They have been blessed with three fine children: Stephen 6, Christine 4, and Diane 18 months.

Pres. Hender has served as counselor of the Old Wallasey Branch before it was consolidated with the Birkenhead Branch to form the now Wirral Branch, then becoming a counselor in the Wirral Branch. He has served as M.I.A. Superintendent, District Councilman, Counselor in the District Presidency, and in April of 1968 was called as Liverpool District President.

### LEIGH BRANCH

Branch President—Elder Richard E. Williams

★ The Leigh Branch is one of two in the North British Mission presided over by missionary Elders who attend to the functioning as well as the building up of the Branch.

Prior to coming to England, Elder Williams lived in Hollywood, California, where he worked as a stage performer and entertainer. Elder Williams has entertained at many Church socials and has enjoyed his work very much.

The Saints in the Leigh Branch presently meet in a converted shop in the town centre of Leigh. The little chapel is the centre of Latter-day Saint activity for Leigh and it's neighboring communities.

### NORTHWICH BRANCH

Branch President—Pres. Harry Fowler

★ A former professional footballer with Manchester City and Torquay United is Pres. Fowler. He is presently working as a transport manager with a large chemical company.

Pres. Fowler was born in Salford, Lancashire. He has been a member of the Church for about six years. He married Avis Smith on August 27, 1949 and they were sealed in the Temple on April 11, 1964. They have two girls and one boy. Although Pres. Fowler did not join the Church until 1963, Sister Fowler's family have been long time members of the Church. Her Grandmother was baptised in 1888 by an Elder James Booth. One interesting

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thing about the Fowler family is that they possess many of the original copies of old Church books.

Pres. Fowler's first counselor is Joseph Alan Webb who is presently working as a British Railways diesel engine instructor. Brother Webb and his family joined the Church in 1964 and have been very active and faithful. One point of interest in the Webb family is that Brother Webb's son, Alan Jr. who is only 15 years old is presently serving as the District assistant organist.

### **SOUTHPORT BRANCH**

Branch President—Pres. Peter Watson

★An interesting spot in the N.B.M. history is when the Southport Branch was started some 25 years ago, when two or three life members persuaded the then mission president to send two elders to work in Southport. During the ensuing 12 months converts were made and members met in a small room in the town. Slowly, but surely the membership increased, and all saved and worked to create a Building fund. A meeting was held at the Wright Street Church room when some 35 members attended to hear the Church Authorities announce plans for a chapel to be built, and to take a vote from the members to sustain this project.

A piece of land was finally found suitable (The owner had always expressed the wish that a Church would be built on this land) and the Church authorities purchased it.

Elder Clifford Johnson and his wife

arrived in Southport from Idaho, U.S.A. Elder Johnson worked as the Building Supervisor. The first sod was cut in 1962 and work proceeded swiftly until Elder Johnson fell from the scaffolding, breaking his back and suffering other injuries. Elder Johnson made a miraculous recovery and was soon back on the job, working with a plaster cast around his body. Finally, the job was completed, but Elder and Sister Johnson had to leave England in June (as their visa had expired) and they did not attend the opening.

The Church opened on Saturday July 17, 1965 with a Grand Carnival Ball and on Sunday July 18, the first Branch Conference was held.

The membership of the Southport Branch is now 167 and still growing. Pres. Peter Watson is doing a wonderful job leading the Saints in the Southport area. Pres. Watson was born in London and was baptised on June 16, 1956. He married Winifred Goddard on March 21, 1942 and they were sealed in the Temple on January 24, 1959. They have four children, and are very busy and happy in the Gospel.

Pres. Watson's counselors are Brother Jeffrey Fossard and Brother Joseph Hepple with Brother Charlie Fleming as the Branch Clerk. Together they work and pray that they might some day see their Branch become the Southport Ward.

### **WIDNES-RUNCORN BRANCH**

Branch President Pres. Donald Bradbury

★ Pres. Bradbury is a third-generation

Mormon, born in Bradford, Yorkshire through a long Yorkshire ancestry. A thrilling experience in Pres. Bradbury's life was when Elder Harold B. Lee of the Council of the Twelve ordained him a High Priest on March 27, 1960. At the time Bro. Bradbury was serving in the Bradford Ward Bishopric.

On March 25, 1961 he married Elaine Taylor and they moved to the Leeds Ward in the Leeds Stake. In January 1967 he moved with his wife and their three children Gavin Paul, Gilliam Elaine, and Lisa Jane to Frodsham, Cheshire.

Pres Bradbury has served as a District Councilman in the Liverpool District. After being called into the District he was called as President of the Widnes-Runcorn Branch in 1967.

Classical Music and photography are the interests of this busy and dedicated Branch President. In his spare time from Church work Pres. Bradbury is a Research Chemist by profession and enjoys his work very much.

### HERBERT SHORROCK

Preston District President

★ Pres. Shorrock was born in Blackburn, Lancashire, and when he was 10 years old he was baptised into the Church. As a youth he was interested in Scouting and gained his Kings Scout Badge; later he held an Assistant Scoutmasters Certificate. Brother Shorrock also served in the army for 21 years, 16 of which were spent abroad.

Amongst his many Church callings, he has served as Branch President of



Pres. Alfred R. Brown, St. Helens Branch president of Preston District right and Ambrose Worthington, 1st C.

Blackburn for 12 years, also as a District Councilman and as 1st counselor in the Preston District Presidency. He was recalled to be Branch President of Blackburn and served until 1964 when he became President of the Preston District. President Shorrock has also been a Sunday School Superintendent and a District YMMIA Supervisor.

Because his parents accepted the Gospel when he was only four, he has had the privilege of being raised in the Church, and for this he is truly grateful.

### ALAN COUNSELL

Accrington Branch president

★ Pres. Counsell was born in Blackburn, Lancashire and baptised March 24, 1960. He married Kathleen Mary Moon on June 4, 1966 and they were sealed in the Temple the following day. They have one boy, Grant.

Pres. Counsell's counselor is Bro. Alex R. Johns.



### ALBERT PICKUP

Burnley Branch President

★ Pres. Pickup was born in Darwen, Lancashire in 1916 and was baptised into the Church in 1948. While serving on a part time mission he met his wife, Jeanie Walker. They now have three lovely children, two boys and a girl.

Many years ago he started a photographic studio in an eleven roomed house, making it into a shop. It was here that he first met the missionaries, when they brought some film for him to develop.

Besides being a devoted and active member of the Church, he has also served the community as a member of the local Council for many years. His Church responsibilities have included both branch and district work, and he is at present a member of the District High Council as well as being Branch President. Assisting him in the branch are Alfred J. Hathaway as 1st counselor and Anthony Calvert as Clerk.



Albert Pickup, Burnley Branch president

and obviously takes great pleasure in his work. Dan who is not a member of the Church, has been tending the gardens for the past five and a half years.



Dan Currie, gardener.

### DAN CURRIE

Gardener

★ Dan Currie was born in New Park and educated at Christ Church School, Harrogate. Since leaving school he has worked at various jobs, but his main interest has been gardening. He also has a keen interest in animals, and he has the desire to own a farm.

Dan keeps the "Rossett Green" gardens beautiful and a joy to behold,

**MISSION BOARD MEMBERS**



Sister Karen Knudsen, Sunday School Mission Board secretary.



John V. Collier, 1st Asst. Mission Board YMMIA superintendent.



Walter Chiles, Mission Board Sunday School Teacher Trainer.



Robert B. Thistleton, Mission Board YMMIA superintendent of east side.



Michael Reynolds, 1st Asst. Mission Sunday School superintendent.



Leslie Medcalf, Mission Sunday School superintendent.

# 'Thou Art The Christ'

By Elder Harold B. Lee  
Council of the Twelve

★ During Christ's ministry there had been some not possessed of faith who declared themselves about the Master. In His home country of Nazareth they had said in derision:

"Is not this the carpenter's son? is



not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas? . . . And they were offended in him.'

The Master sadly replied:

"A prophet is not without honour save in his own country, and in his own house." (Matthew 13:55,57.)

On another occasion they said of Him in scorn:

"The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners . . ." (Ibid., 11:19.)

In Jerusalem the scribes which came down said,

"He hath Beelzebub, and by the prince of the devils casteth he out devils." (Mark 3:22.)

## "THOU, ART THE CHRIST"

In contrast to these unsavory epithets, His faithful followers such as Peter, the chiefest of the apostles declared: "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." (Matt. 16:16)—and from his faithful Martha, "Yea Lord: I believe that thou art Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world." (John 11:27.) And from another of His disciples after He had seen and handled

the Risen Lord, Thomas impressed his testimony with these simple words: "My Lord and my God!" (Ibid., 20:28.) The measure of difference between those two groups of individuals who answered the query, "What think ye of Christ?" (Matt. 22:42.) was the quality of which the Master had spoken of in His great Sermon on the Mount: "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God." (Ibid., 5:8.)

Our responsibility as members of the Church of Jesus Christ to declare the mission of the Saviour was impressed upon us in a council meeting when President David O. McKay made this significant statement:

"This is the Church of Jesus Christ, and it is our obligation to preach to the world that He is the Son of God, our Redeemer and our Saviour—not just a great teacher, but in reality the Son of our Father in heaven, and the Redeemer of the world; that He has broken the bands of death and has brought resurrection, that through Him, by obedience to the Gospel, we will gain eternal exaltation in His kingdom. May the Lord give us power and increase our ability to represent Him in the world."

In that memorable Wentworth Letter, historically important to the Church, where the Prophet Joseph Smith answered the query as to what the Church believed, was the statement: "We believe in God, the Eternal Father, and in His Son, Jesus Christ, and in the Holy Ghost."

## **SACRED SYMBOLISM**

The symbolism of our belief and our declaration to the world is to be found everywhere. As I saw the pictures of the Swiss Temple, I read the words above the entrance and again recalled that on many of our other sacred structures are those significant words: "Holiness to the Lord."

As you walk on the temple grounds in Salt Lake City, look upon the west towers of the great Salt Lake Temple, and just underneath the battlements will you see the dipper pointing to the North Star—the symbolism, as explained by Truman O. Angell, the architect of the temple, in an article written in *The Millennial Star* for the British Saints, suggesting that through the priesthood of Almighty God the lost may find their way. As you go into the great Salt Lake Temple, you will see what the pioneers did to symbolize every move they were to make through that sacred building. Even on almost every doorknob there has been cast in the beauty of their artistry those same words, "Holiness to the Lord." By that symbol every door in the temples of our God, indeed every step we take in life, is opened to those who go forward in "Holiness to the Lord!"

The dreariest prospect that can be imagined to those who have not only these symbols to constantly remind them, but also the testimony of that humble boy who told of the coming of the Father and the Son in very person to converse with Him, who bore testimony that other worthies came and





Elder Harold B. Lee

restored their powers, and their keys of the priesthood—the dreariest prospects of those of this Church who have those testimonies and that knowledge given them, is that to be found in the Lord's castigation of those who have been given a divine calling by a divine command and have disobeyed when He said: "They who are not chosen have sinned a very grievous sin in that they are walking in the darkness at noon-day." (D&C 95:6.) Then He added, "If ye keep not my commandments, the love of the Father shall not continue with you, therefore ye shall walk in darkness." (Ibid., 95:12.)

#### **SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT**

Under the caption of an article, "What Makes Men Strong?" J. Edgar

Hoover, the head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, made this significant statement:

"When a man leans on his own understanding, when he lives by his own strength, when he boasts of probing the mysteries of the atom, the depths of the sea, or the secrets of outer space, he forgets God and claims he is his own master. The result is untold suffering. Even though one's position is maintained, even though material wealth increases, a success quickly turns to failure when God has been forgotten. There is no peace of mind, no personal satisfaction, no personal experience of inward joy. To 'trust in the Lord with all thine heart' is a mark of strength, and it is the only path to happiness, success, and true fulfillment."

I contrast the fearful Peter who, on the night of the betrayal, denied that he had known the Saviour, with that Peter who on another occasion, after he had witnessed the appearances of the Master, in jail, being readied for another inquisition by His unjust captors. He was not surprised when an angel touched him and said, "Arise up quickly," and the shackles fell from him, and when he went to the door he found it open. He went to the outer court, and it was open; then he went to the home of his friends, and they were surprised because from the time of his imprisonment they had been praying that the Lord by his matchless powers would undo the mischief that

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# Recipes From

## APRICOT JAM

- 1 Gallon Apricots-canned
- 1 No. 2 can crushed pineapple
- 10 Cups of Sugar
- 2 or 3 pkgs of orange jelly.

Cook apricots, pineapple and sugar until fairly thick. Stir often. Remove from heat and add jelly. Store in jars in refrigerator or seal in sterilized jars.

## FRENCH DRESSING

- 1 Large onion grated
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tsp. salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp. pepper
- $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. dry mustard
- 1 tsp. dry horseradish, or fresh if available
- 1 large bottle of catsup

Use catsup bottle as measure filled with salad oil. Use same bottle and fill with vinegar.

Combine ingredients. Stir vigorously and serve over lettuce or tossed salads.

## BAKING POWDER BISCUITS

- 2 cups flour
- 3 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp. salt
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 6 tablespoons shortening (Butter or Margarine)
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup milk

Sift the dry ingredients together. Cut in the shortening until coarse. Add milk, mix with fork until dough follows fork around bowl. Turn out on floured board and pat into a circle  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch thick. Cut into circles with biscuit cutter. Bake in 500 oven for 12 minutes. Handle the dough very lightly and quickly. This is the secret of light fluffy biscuits. Serve with above apricot jam and butter.

Serves four.

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# Norm's Kitchen

## CHOCOLATE PUDDING CAKE

1 cup flour  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. salt  
2 tablespoon cocoa  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk  
 $1\frac{1}{4}$  cup brown sugar  
 $1\frac{3}{4}$  cup hot water  
2 tsp. Baking Powder  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar  
1 tsp. vanilla  
2 tablespoon melted shortening  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  cup cocoa  
nuts

Mix cake mixture, turn into square pan about size 8 x 8 x 2. Then mix brown sugar, cocoa and sprinkle over batter, then pour water over that and bake at 375 degrees for 40 to 50 minutes.

## JUMBO RAISIN COOKIES

2 cups raisins  
1 cup water  
Boil for 5 minutes, then let cool.  
1 cup shortening  
2 cups sugar

Cream together and add 3 eggs that are well beaten.

1 tsp. vanilla  
4 cups flour  
1 tsp. baking powder  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. cinnamon  
2 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. soda  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. cloves  
Sift together

Mix all together, add 1 large pkg. of choc. chips (Polka dots), and 1 cup nuts, (if desired glacier cherries or etc.) Drop by tsp. on cookie sheet. Bake 375 to 400 degree oven for 15 minutes.

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was now trying to nullify the work of this great Church. He was not afraid. Why? Because Peter knew the power of the risen Lord. (See Acts 12.)

### CONTRASTING INCIDENTS

I am thinking now of two contrasting incidents. A dear friend received one of those fateful messages: "We regret to inform you that your boy has been killed in action." I went to his home, and there I saw the shattered family, possessed of all the things that money could buy—wealth, position, the things that the world would call honourable, but there they were with their hopes and dreams shattered around them, grasping for something that they had not lived to obtain and from that time on, seemingly did not obtain. The comfort which they could have known was not there.

I contrasted that with a scene I witnessed up in the LDS Hospital, when one of our dear faithful mission presidents was there slowly dying. He was in extreme pain, but in his heart there was a joy because he knew that through suffering oftentimes men learn obedience, and the right to kinship with Him who suffered beyond all that any of us can ever suffer. He, too, knew the power of the risen Lord.

Today we should ask ourselves the question, in answer to what the Master asked of those in His day, "What think ye of Christ?" We ought to ask as we would say it today, "What think we of Christ?" and then make it a little more

personal and ask, "What think I of Christ?" Do I think of Him as the Redeemer of my soul? Do I think of Him with no doubt in my mind as the one who appeared to the Prophet Joseph Smith? Do I believe that He established this Church upon the earth? Do I accept Him as the Saviour of this world? Am I true to my covenants, which in the waters of baptism, if understood, meant that I would stand as a witness of Him at all times, and in all things, and in all places, wherever I would be, even until death?"

Many times we have heard and sung that hymn,  
 "That I might have seen his kind look when he said,  
 'Let the little ones come unto me.'  
 "I should like to have been with him then."

### HEBER C. KIMBALL WROTE:

Some have said they would have liked to live in the days of the Prophet Joseph so that they could have been his defenders. Heber C. Kimball wrote this:

"Let me say that many of you will see the time when you will have all the trouble, trial, and persecution you can stand, and plenty of opportunities to show that you were true to God and His work. This Church will have many close places through which it will have to pass before the work of God is crowned with victory. To meet the difficulties that are coming, it will be necessary for you to have a knowledge of the truth of this work for yourselves.



The difficulties of this work will be of such a character that a man or woman who does not possess this personal knowledge will fall. Remember these sayings, for many of you will live to see them fulfilled. The time is coming when no man or woman will be able to endure on borrowed light. Each will have to be guided by the light within himself. If you do not have it, you will not stand."

After some of the persecutions and the evidence of the power of evil over our first missionaries in London, these missionaries returned to the Prophet to seek an answer as to why these experiences with evil spirits had come to them. Had they done something wrong that the evil had thus tried to overthrow them? And the Prophet replied, "I rejoiced when I heard of your experiences because I have passed through similar experiences, and I want to say this to you: the nearer a person approaches the Lord, a greater power will be manifested by the adversary to prevent the accomplishment of his purposes."

That is what the Master meant when He said:

"Blessed are ye, when man shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

"Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for

great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." (Matt. 5:11-12.)

### **STRONG STALWARTS**

I have heard some of the testimonies of men like Brother Hugh B. Brown and Brother Adam S. Bennion, and Brother Richard L. Evans, who, when they were called to their high places have been subject to the trials of the power of evil. There is no question in my mind but that they were near unto the Lord, and the devil knew it and was trying to confuse them and if possible destroy them.

You and I stand in this day when we are basking in the sunshine of great plaudits of the people all over the world. We rejoice that the persecution which used to be is not now, and yet I am sobered by the warning that the Master gave when He warned:

"Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets." (Luke 6:26.)

May I say to all of us, each of us individually, let us not forget that the measure of our acceptance in the kingdom of our God will be our answer to the question which we must make honestly to ourselves: "What think I of Jesus Christ? What kind of a testimony do I have of the divinity of His mission?"

### SECRETARY HELP WANTED!

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Haredon House  
London Road, North Cheam

## Clerks, Secretaries, Please Note!

★ Stake and ward clerks plus secretaries of the auxiliaries and priesthood units have received first hand instruction for better record keeping by a representative of the Presiding Bishopric's Office.

The past several weeks Ronald E. Urry has been in the British Isles helping correlate supply orders and to instruct clerks and secretaries for a more uniform record keeping programme.

Bro. Urry emphasized the importance the Lord has placed upon records, stating that the records kept today become history tomorrow. Accuracy and neatness in all records was stressed. He also noted

that it is the duty of the stake clerk to teach and train all secretaries in the ward so that there will be uniformity in record keeping.

"KEEP YOUR RECORDS CURRENT" was the suggestion of Bro. Urry, so that at the end of the year when the time comes for the annual report or the Form E (Ward Report) it can be easily compiled.

He advised stake and ward clerks that just listing speakers in Sacrament Meetings and Conferences is not enough for the record. A brief resume of their talk (three or four sentences, depending upon the nature of the talk) should be inserted.

# "Chastity Will Never Be Outdated"

By Elder Marion G. Romney  
Council of the Twelve



Elder Marion G. Romney

★ The present world situation is not unlike that which prevailed in Athens, as portrayed in Paul's great sermon preached on Mars' hill. As he stood there, his spirit stirring within him as he beheld the city given wholly to idolatry, he cried:

" . . . Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

"For as I passed by, and beheld your devotion, I found an altar with this inscription, To the Unknown God. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you." (Acts 17: 22-23.)

Following this poignant but deserved thrust, Paul declared that God had made the world and all things therein and was therefore Lord of

heaven and earth, that both he (Paul) and his hearers were the offspring of God, in whom they lived and moved and had their being.

To us it seems almost incredible that in Paul's day men could leave believed that graven images of gold or silver or stone fashioned by men's device were gods. And yet, the evidence indicates that many today are as far afield in their concepts and belief in God as were the Athenian philosophers and populace in that day so long ago when Paul chided them on Mars' hill about worshiping a god whom they admittedly did not know; for instance (and now I cite these examples not by way of contention but to illustrate how the concepts of men of the world differ from the true concepts of the living

and true God), in a modern book an eminent scientist, whose purpose is altogether commendable, wrote the book to prove that there is a God and in that book appears this statement:

### CAN NOT VISUALIZE GOD

"Any effort to visualize God reveals a surprising childishness. We can no more conceive Him than we can conceive an electron." (Lecomte de Nouy, *Human Destiny*, p. 188.)

And then to account for the birth and development of moral man, the author says that he was forced, and I quote, to admit "that the only possible logical interpretation of the facts coincided with that which recognized the existence of God; . . . We therefore," I continue to quote, "used the consecrated name (God), but avoided as much as possible any anthropomorphic idea." (Ibid., pp. 201-202.)

Another writer says this: "Man makes God in his own image. . . . When man believes that God is personal," he says, "he believes rightly [But] to say that God is 'a person' is no doubt an error." (Maude Royden, *The Garvin Lectures* 1949, p. 45.)

### A TRAGEDY OF TODAY

These statements indicate that

their authors and those who hold their views neither know nor believe in the living and true God preached by Paul and Joseph Smith. Is it not a great tragedy for men today to be walking in such darkness when they might be walking in the light if they would but look and see? This situation brings to mind the Saviour's statement: "The light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehendeth it not; . . ." (D&C 88:49.)

In connection with this statement the Lord adds another phrase which I love. ". . . nevertheless," he says, "the day shall come when you shall comprehend even God, being quickened in him and by him." (Idem.)

This world would be, comparatively, a heaven if men could be brought to understand and know the living and true God. They who are able to receive and who do receive the restored truth concerning God are literally transformed by their knowledge of, and faith in, him. They are drawn upward from the carnal state of fallen men, as it were, and brought back, to a degree at least, into the presence of God. They develop unshakable faith in him. They seek him with certain confidence. They put their trust in him, and he never fails them. In him are their hope and their strength. Envy, greed, hate, lust, and unrighteous ambition flee from them. They



grow in virtue, patience, brotherly kindness, charity, and love, and their eyes are single to the glory of God. The principle objective in their lives becomes to keep the commandments of God, thus ridding themselves of sin, for they realize that no unclean thing can enter into his presence; and to return into that presence becomes the supreme faith and hope of their existence.

### KNOWLEDGE TRANSFORMS LIFE

Into their hearts comes a great concern for the welfare of their fellow men. They set about not to conquer them, not to take advantage of them, not to gain temporal and worldly power at their expense, but to take to them the glorious knowledge of the living and true God which they themselves possess. This they do that their fellows may experience and enjoy the transfor-

mation which has come into their lives.

There is nothing other than a knowledge of the living and true God which will give men incentives strong enough to induce them to root out their lives the wickedness which has brought us to the brink of the cataclysm on which we totter.

Earnest attention of God's revelations of Himself is of first importance to every human being. To disbelieve in Him, in the light of the plain and certain knowledge He has revealed of Himself and which is available to us, is a great evil for which men will be held accountable. Full acceptance of Him would work in every man the same transformation it worked in the people of Enoch, in Saul of Tarsus, in Alma, in Joseph Smith and his followers—a transformation which will eventually come and which will establish peace on the earth.

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### ORDINATIONS TO ELDER

Christopher Paul Morris. Huddersfield Ward. Leeds Stake

Christopher Anthony Thorpe. Huddersfield Ward. Leeds Stake.

David Keith Holman. Basildon Branch. British Mission.

Kenneth Richard Charles Rowley. Chelmsford Branch. British Mission.

Geoffrey William John Derrett. Grays Branch. British Mission.

Edward Harold Hanmore. Ilford Branch. British Mission

Kenneth Walter Oaks. Ilford Branch. British Mission.

David John Brand. Ilford Branch. British Mission.

John Raymond Laycock. Southend Branch. British Mission.

# Every Member A Missionary

By Elder S. Dilworth Young  
First Council of the Seventy

★ I should like to speak to Lori and to Park, to Charlotte and to Annette, to Jack, to Brook, to Becky, and to Kirk, to Joan, to Norman, and to Ann, to Suzette, and to Carol Gay, and to Don, to Dale, and to LeGrand, and to Henry and to David—I could go on and on and on naming the children.

Some of them, when given opportunity, would arise to their feet and say something like this: "I believe the Gospel. I believe that Joseph Smith was a Prophet." And then they qualify it by saying, "I do not know yet that it is true, but I believe it." It would be my desire to say something to them concerning this qualifying statement, and I should like to say it in simple language so they can understand.

The power to bear testimony, the ability and the feeling of being able to say that one knows that Jesus is the



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Christ and that the restoration of the Gospel has come through the hands of Joseph Smith, comes entirely by the power of the Holy Ghost. That power does not come through any education or through any special preparation on the part of the recipient in earthly things, but rather it whispers into the heart of the one who wants to know, and once whispered and once understood, that person may stand and say as surely as I or anyone else may stand and say it, that he knows that Jesus is the Christ. For the Spirit bears the witness, and it comes to everyone that in truth desires it.

## EACH CAN KNOW

I think that is the great message of

Joseph Smith himself. He was only fourteen years of age, and he walked into his mother's home one morning and said, "Mother, I have learned for myself that Presbyterianism is not true." Well, each of our children is not going to receive a vision such as Joseph Smith received, but each can have the whispering, and each can know just as surely, no matter what his age. He does not have to grow to be an adult to have this knowledge.

I can remember when I was a small child at the Lowell School up on D Street and Second Avenue, in Salt Lake City. Four of us boys were gathered in the corner by the school fence, two of us were Latter-day Saints, and two of us were not. The two who were not were baiting the two Latter-day Saints. One of them (it was not I, although I might have had the courage to do it) turned on these other boys and said, "Well, we have the truth, and you haven't and that is all there is to it." And that is all there was to it, too. He did not know why he knew it, but he did know it. He was going to learn why later. All children will learn to understand that whispering someday, and only by that whispering can you children, wherever you be, know that Jesus is the Christ. You may pile up evidence and knowledge, but only by that spirit will you know it.

Now the spirit does not always whisper. Sometimes it leaves one, and then one is left to his own resources.

Then enters free agency. I should like to say to my children, my grandchildren and yours, that you can be determined to know about this thing by your own desire. You do not have to take someone's else word about it. Say to yourselves, "I know that this is so. I believe it, and I am going to abide by it." As you get that determination and say it, somehow the spirit will re-enter into you and fortify you in it.

### GAINED EVIDENCE

There will be times when the spirit will not come to you. Here are some evidences which eventually will grow into your hearts until they will sustain you when the spirit is not present. There is the evidence which you will gain from the Book of Mormon. When you read that book, it will be an evidence to you. Coupled with it will be evidences found in the ancient Old Testament of how the Lord dealt with his ancient people. You will discover that it is very similar to the way he dealt with those in the Book of Mormon. The pattern of the New Testament will be an evidence to you, for like that pattern the Church today is established. There you will read it and take comfort from it.

You, when you get old enough to understand them, will be able to gain great comfort from the books of Moses and of Abraham, the revelations of the

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## A Trip To The Sun

A trip to the sun  
Would not be much fun,  
For you'd grow too old  
On the way.  
The sun's heat is white,  
It sends a great light,  
To shine on our earth to make day.

The sun has no trees,  
Or cool gentle breeze,  
No flowers, or streams,  
Or green grass,  
The sun has no frogs,  
Or horses or dogs,  
For everything on it  
Is gas.

The sun is so hot,  
Believe it or not,  
You could never get  
Near this star:  
No, a trip to the sun  
Would not be much fun,  
It's millions of miles  
Too far.

Glen Mahoney,  
Abermorlais School,  
Merthyr Tydfil,  
Glam. S. Wales, Age 10

(This poem won 1st place in the school  
competition)



# Steps To Missionary Work

By Elder Franklin D. Richards

Assistant to the Twelve

★ I am confident that there are thousands of members of the Church that have a sincere desire to do missionary work, but don't know what to do or how to do it. How then can a member, regardless of age or sex, become an effective missionary within the meaning of the prophet's admonition—Every Member a Missionary?

You ask, what can I do? Well, you can find persons who would like to know more about the Church. But, how can I find such persons? The following three ways are pretty much the basis of the Every Member a Missionary Programme.

First, ask people what they know about the Church and if they would like to know more—yes, ask the golden questions.

Second, take your friends and neighbours to church meetings and socials.

Third, live the Gospel. As your friends and neighbours feel your love, they will want to know more about the Church.

## MISSIONARIES WILL TEACH

All three of these ways are part of the referral programme as you arrange

for the missionaries to teach the interested persons. When you find interested persons either by personal contact, over the telephone, or by correspondence, bring them into your home, preferably in a group and ask the missionaries in to give them the discussions. If they are out of the area, have your bishop give you the name and address of the nearest stake or mission to where the interested person lives and send the referral to the stake or mission president together with details of how you secured the name and other pertinent information.

Let me elaborate on the three ways you can find persons who want to know more about the Church, by giving you a few interesting examples:

First, ask the golden questions as you meet people personally or over the telephone or through the mail. I have never embarrassed myself or the person I have asked. A few weeks ago I was registering in a motel in Raleigh, North Carolina. I asked the golden questions of the young man at the desk. He was not interested, but the young man standing behind him overheard our conversation. He had been to Salt Lake City, was impressed, and wanted

to know more. I told him we had missionaries in Raleigh, and he gave me his name and address. He was very interested in having the missionaries call and tell him more about the Church. I immediately turned this golden contact over to the missionaries.

### USE THE TELEPHONE

A bishop's wife in Atlanta, Georgia, wanted to do missionary work but didn't know how or when she could find the time and still take care of her young family. The missionaries suggested that she telephone proselyte, ask the golden questions over the telephone from her own home in the evening after the children were in bed. She told me that the missionaries showed her how and that it was thrilling and most rewarding and not embarrassing. She found many interested persons for the missionaries to teach.

During the last year, thousands of letters have been written asking the golden questions. Many have responded, asking that the missionaries call on them, others have asked for literature or the Home Study guide—discussions by mail. Recently a woman from Oceola, Iowa, wrote us—"I am so glad that you are sending me these discussions. I thank you. Would it be too much to ask you to send me more of Joseph Smith's works?"

Now the second way of finding interested persons is by taking your friends



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and neighbours to church meetings and socials. In Bowling Green, Kentucky, the Relief Society needed an organist. The president asked a nonmember friend to help them out. She replied she would be glad to, and before long she became interested, was taught the Gospel by the missionaries and was baptised.

### SINGING—ANOTHER MEANS

In the Southern States Mission a young girl was walking home with a friend and began humming, "Come, Come, Ye Saints." Her friend said, "My that's a beautiful melody. What is it?" The girl told her about it and made a date to take her to a church service.

After attending a few times she arranged for the missionaries to teach her family. The family have all been baptised and are happy, doing their part in building the kingdom.

I mentioned living the Gospel as the third way to find interested persons. About ten days ago I was showing a man and his wife from Iowa around Temple Square. They were very interested and particularly so when Brother Alexander Schreiner took an active interest in them, showing them the organ and how it is played. Brother Schreiner really went the extra mile. I asked them if they knew any members of our Church in Iowa. They replied, yes, a wonderful family. Recently when a friend of theirs had a baby, this family took the children of the woman who was having the baby into their home while the mother was in the hospital. Both Brother Schreiner and the Iowa family were evidencing their love of their fellow men. These incidents have been an important factor in interesting this couple. They expressed a desire to know more about the Church.

A short time ago while having dinner

in a New York restaurant, we asked our waiter, a very fine man, the golden questions. He replied enthusiastically that he had been to Utah and California and had met several Latter-day Saint families, was very much impressed with their way of life, and would like to know more about the Church. He gave us his address in Brooklyn and seemed anxious to have the missionaries call at his home and give him and his family the discussions. We promptly gave this good referral to the mission president in New York.

Most of us have unusual experiences with people becoming interested and wanting to know more about the Church. The Lord has said, "Be ye strong from henceforth; fear not for the kingdom is yours." (D&C 38:15.) So let's not fear henceforth—ask the golden questions, take your friends and neighbours to Church meetings and socials, and live the Gospel. As you do these things, you will find many persons who are interested in knowing more about the Church, and you will be a missionary within the meaning of the prophet's admonition—Every Member a Missionary.



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Lord to great, inspired men. These will give you renewed assurance. Archaeological discovery, that is, the digging in ancient mounds to find evidences of what kind of people lived there, will further your belief, because slowly but surely, as these evidences come forth, they bear their silent, dusty witness of the truth of the Gospel.

One of the most noble witnesses and one of the most assuring and convincing witnesses is the lives of your own parents. Watch them live, watch how the Gospel touches their hearts and makes them gentle and kind. That is the surest evidence that it is a power beyond any earthly conception—its effect upon the lives of your own folk and those you see around you who are trying to work righteousness.

### OTHER EVIDENCES

Another evidence, as you get older, will be the evidence you will see in the effort of the Church to help its own through the welfare programme. Such altruistic things can come only from those who want to practise and believe the truth. This great evidence will also bear its witness to you as you get older and take part in it; as you go to the cannery or as you go to weed the beet fields and help harvest the peas. Those evidences will come to you because of your actions in that programme.

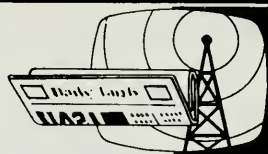
Then, of course, you are going to have a great deal of pleasure and fun, but you are going to see the evidence of the auxiliary programmes of the

Church. How they touch your lives, starting with childhood and taking you through to adulthood, giving you ideals and knowledge of how to handle yourselves and your companions, how to be happy and joyful, and how to enjoy that portion of the gospel, for the gospel is a happy thing. And the Mutual Improvement Associations and the Primary will contribute evidences within your ability to understand if you will but heed.

And finally, not finally but somewhere along the line, each young man will be given the priesthood. And then he will have a chance to practise the power which will eventually take him into the presence of our Heavenly Father. You will not know much about it at first, for it will be evidenced by such simple acts as the passing of the bread when the sacrament is administered in honour of our Lord and Saviour. Later on you will be able to baptise, and, too, you will be able to lay on hands for the reception of the Holy Ghost, and after that you will be able to administer to your own sick. And still you will not know what power is. Finally you will feel it, and you will learn, when you become old, that eventually it will take you into the presence of your Father in heaven.

Determination does it, my young friends. Be determined that you are going to get these evidences into your hearts, and then pray to the Lord that He will give you the Spirit of the Holy Ghost.





## LONDON STAKE

★ On Easter Monday the M. Men, Gleaner class of ROMFORD Ward M.I.A. organised and presented a "Grand Penny Lane Fayre". This was inspired by friends in the Calgary Stake and by the Beatles' song.

The only acceptable currency for the Lane of numerous side shows was pennies. The day was ideal with about 300 people, including many members of the public, enjoying the large variety of activities.

Friends and members of the Ward helped the organisers by supplying a hundred weight of chipped potatoes; cups and saucers for the "Smash the crockery" stall, a barrel organ, that proved to be very popular; a very large cake for the "Estimate the weight" contest; many prizes and their help. A grand "Piano Smashing Contest" provided the climax to a wonderful day.

In the evening a very lively square dance was held, with Bishop and Sister Leavitt of North London Ward supplying the music and calls. During the interval a cabaret proved entertaining. Elders Galbraith and Kendle sang and Elder Galbraith accompanied Doug. Watlin who played the harmonica.

The days events provided a lot of fun and entertainment for many people as

well as giving a substantial boost to the Ward Building fund.

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★ The G.L.E.M.M. Council organised a successful outing on May 3rd which took the form of a Red Rover Rally. One way of having a good time and taking advantage of London Transport's special "rove around" ticket. A film-show was enjoyed in the evening.

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★ Sports events have featured high in the Stake M.I.A.'s recent calendar. On May 2nd the volleyball tournament was held, with a total of 10 mixed volleyball teams taking part. The participation was so good that there was not time to play the final match between North London Ward and Hyde Park Ward. This took place on May 9th, and Hyde Park Ward were the winners.

On May 10th the Stake met the British Mission at Tollington Park School in North London to play off the Zone 1 finals in the various sports. The successful teams and individuals who will compete in the B.A.A. finals in Manchester are as follows:

Y.M. Basketball. Hyde Park Ward.

London Stake.

Five-a-side football. British Mission.

Netball. Hyde Park Ward.

Volleyball. Hyde Park Ward.

Table-tennis:

Girls under 16 singles. Susan Bradley.  
South London Ward. Stake.

Girls under 16 doubles. Susan Bradley  
and Louise Roberts. South London  
Ward.

Boys under 16 singles. Philip Davey.  
Catford Branch. Stake.

Boys under 16 doubles. British  
Mission.

Ladies Singles. Rita Beard. Catford  
Branch. Stake.

Mens Singles. Geoffrey Davey. Cat-  
ford Branch. Stake

Ladies Doubles. British Mission

Men's Doubles. Geoffrey Davey and  
John Wilkins. Catford Branch.

Mixed Doubles. Geoffrey Davey and  
Rita Beard. Catford Branch.

## NORTH BRITISH MISSION

★ Grimsby Branch decided to give the  
Primary children a May Party this year.  
Sister Warton, Primary president and  
her helpers prepared the food and the

children ate heartily. After a very en-  
joyable time, each child received a  
stick of rock before they went home.

## CENTRAL BRITISH MISSION

★ On April 26th, MIDLANDS SOUTH  
District held their Gold and Green Ball  
at the Northampton Cultural hall, which  
was tastefully decorated with gold and  
green flowers. About 50 saints and  
friends danced to music by the Vaughan  
Williams Band. District M.I.A. Supt.  
Barry Bearsdmore was M.C. and gave  
away prizes during the spot waltzes.  
After refreshments there was a short  
cabaret which included a monologue  
given by President Benjamin Thorpe,  
2nd counselor in the Mission, and two  
songs from Karen and Kristine Bandy  
from Bedford. They were then joined  
by Janette Barbour to sing a third  
number.

★ Finda Memba Week reached Bangor  
Branch, the farthest outpost of the  
mission on April 13th. No-one seemed  
to be sure whether or not they were  
enthusiastic for the event, but, after  
a few minutes of tracting confidence  
grew tremendously. No one imagined  
the response there would be to their  
invitations to the Saturday evening  
social. One hundred and fifty people  
gathered in the Presbyterian Church  
Hall, Newry Street, Holyhead for this  
social, about fifteen from Bangor Branch  
and many from the Holyhead District,  
but non-members had been attracted  
during the afternoon by the singing of  
the Mission-aïres in the streets. At

one stage the police had to be on hand to control the crowds!

When everyone was settled at the social, Branch Pres. Stewart welcomed them and introduced the programme, which followed the usual pattern. Afterwards the Relief Society sisters served sandwiches and cakes, and the branch members mingled with the people explaining points of doctrine, telling of the auxiliaries and trying to establish what the general feeling was. Many visitors left their addresses and showed pleasure at the wonderful spirit portrayed by the "Mormon Church".

The week's activities certainly brought members of the branch much closer together and everyone worked very hard to make it the success it was. Experiences served to strengthen everyone's testimonies and amusing incidents were exchanged at the next branch meeting, when President Stewart thanked everyone for their efforts.

★ HEREFORD Branch is calling all Cricket enthusiasts. On Saturday 16th August, they will hold a six-a-side Cricket competition and invite all branches and wards from the Central British and South West British Missions and the Leicester Stake to enter teams. Those who are interested should write to Pres. Burton, 21 Bovington Estate, Roman Road, Hereford, for full details. A presentation dance will be held in the evening with music dispensed by the Terry Phillips Four, and cabaret with the "Folk Clarity".

★ BANBURY Branch held a farewell party on May 2nd for the Kapaska family. They have been members of the branch for approximately three years, while Brother Kapaska has been serving with the U.S.A.F. at R.A.F. Upper Hayford.

The party was organised by Pres.



Members attending the Banbury Branch Pioneer Party.



Sister Bonita Kapaska and son, Aaron Dean.

Brain Heath, and had a pioneer theme; all who attended were asked to wear pioneer clothes. After several games and activities, a large array of refreshments was served by Joy Heath.

## MANCHESTER STAKE

★ On April 26th the Stretford Childrens' Theatre visited MANCHESTER SOUTH Ward and gave a wonderful performance of Ludislas Fodor's play "The Vigil", which was done in modern dress. Although they bear the name Children, with an average age of 15 years, the acting and general performance would give credit to an adult cast doing a very difficult play. The story is about a trial of the people concerned with the resurrection of Christ; whether or not He did rise from the dead. Evidence is presented for and against, and the audience is left to judge for themselves what happened.

Ashton winning the volleyball final at Manchester Stake finals.







Manchester South Ward playing Ashton in the stake finals.

The original idea of inviting the players to the Ward was to give inspiration to the M.I.A. Drama section, but it also became a very useful missionary tool, as they had a large number of investigators attend. They and the members enjoyed the performance and many have requested that there be

a return visit in the near future.

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★ The Stake sports were held on May 10th, and ASHTON won both Volleyball and Netball finals. They lost the football to STOCKPORT though, who played really well, and deserved the win.

## SOUTHWEST BRITISH MISSION

★ A Folk Dance was held at Hartley Chapel, PLYMOUTH on April 12th, when over 100 people, many of them non-members, had a wonderful time dancing to the calling of Dave Evans and the music of the Brewers Company Dance Band. During the interval, Adrienne Webber from Bristol Branch, sang to the accompaniment of Martin Lock's guitar.

The Branch Primary children and their parents went to NEWTON ABBOTT on the 19th April to compete with them in

the first round of the Primary Play Day Competition. Plymouth's entry was based on a Scottish theme, and Newton Abbott's on the Mormon Pioneers. When the final total was calculated however, it was found that each branch had 88 points. After a discussion amongst the judges it was decided to give the winning decision to Newton Abbott, who will be going on to Bristol for the next round shortly.

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★ At the PLYMOUTH District Gold and

Green Ball, the music was provided by the Royal Marines Dance Band from Lymestone, Exeter. The hall had been transformed with gold and green streamers and decorations, and the ladies looked most charming in their evening dresses. The evening was well attended and greatly enjoyed by everyone.

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★ A surprise 21st birthday and farewell party was given for Angela Smith one evening recently as she attended a normal meeting, or so she thought. It was organised by her special friend and District Missionary companion Ann Giles, before she returned to her home district in the Merthyr Tydfil area after receiving a promotion in the civil service. About 40 members gathered for the party and Sister Smith received several cards and a lovely bouquet of carnations to commemorate the evening.

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★ The Relief Society sisters of HARTLEY invited all branch members over the age of 12 to a party one Wednesday evening. The programme included team quizzes, a play by Ann Coleman, touching on all aspects of Relief Society work, a performance by the Singing Mothers, a "cookery" cross word, and refreshments. Joyce Folley was presented with a Relief Society pin by Sister Violet Reeson, Mission Counselor, for coming 3rd in the recent Mission Short Story Competition.

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★ The CORNWALL District Primary

children held a Singing Festival at the Women's Institute Hall, Falmouth, Cornwall on April 19th, directed by Peggy Seddons of Redruth Branch. The theme of the Festival was foreign lands, and St. Austell Branch used Hawaii as a basis for their performance while Redruth called their scenes "America". The costumes were colourful and the singing and dancing enjoyed by all.

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## 38th Bristol Scout Troop Runnersup In Football

★ Saturday May 3rd saw the first participation of the 38th BRISTOL L.D.S. Scout Troop in the Knowle, Bristol Scout District 6-a-side football competition. Ten teams took part, and Donald Osbourne, their Group Scout Leader and also the District President, acted as referee. Three qualifying games put the L.D.S. team in the final. Unfortunately however, during a semi-final match, Andrew Mein, a forward was injured and taken to hospital with a broken wrist. Throughout the competition both goals and corners counted, and just two minutes before full time in the final they gave away a corner, thus leaving themselves the runners-up. They were congratulated by the District Commission on their excellent play.



Bristol 38th LDS Scout troop, 6-a-side football team. From left, Brian Kelly, Steve Webb, Chris Jenkins, Andrew West, Michael Webb, Andrew Robertson.

★ Now that Summer is well on its way, the members of the Helston Branch invite all readers of the Star who may be holidaying in sunny Cornwall, to join them in their Church meetings which are held in the town centre, near the Angel Hotel, above

Clock Worthey shop. Times of meetings are as follows: Sacrament 6 p.m. Sunday, 12 noon on Fast Days. Sunday School, 10.30 a.m. Priesthood 9.30 a.m. Primary 1 p.m. Saturday. M.I.A. 8 p.m. Tuesday.

## BRITISH SOUTH MISSION

At a recent dinner for the Relief Society sisters and their husbands held at the home of Bro. and Sis. Arthur Henderson, Shanklin, Isle of Wight, an apron competition was held. Afterwards the aprons were sold by auction and approximately £4 was raised for the Branch building fund.

£400 has been raised by selling goods at a stall in the Newport weekly market. Elizabeth Hawkins, Relief Society president has supervised this project. The new chapel should be completed by the end of June.

The fund is doing very well and over

★ The Mission M.I.A. know that those



Crawlely Branch members as they departed by coach for the British South Mission dance festival.





British South Mission Table Tennis finals.

famous initials stand for Mutual Improvement Association, but also find that they spell out their motto; Move Into Action.

Their recent table tennis tournament was an example of their youth in action; it was won by the PORTSMOUTH District. All kinds of athletic tournaments are going on throughout the mission with each district competing against the other.

On May 3rd the Netball Tournament was held at Terriers Primary School, High Wycombe. It was a great success and final placings were as follows:

Portsmouth District 1st with 28 points.

Watford District 18 points.

Thames Valley District 16 points.

Crawley District 15 points.

The Dance Festival took place at the end of April in the Reading Chapel and the Dance Shield trophy was won by the Portsmouth District.

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★ CRAWLEY BRANCH Presidency has recently been re-organised, President L. Mann and his counselors Arthur Marshall and Arthur King were released and Arthur Casbon sustained as the new branch president, with Nephi Probst as 1st counselor and Victor L. Palmer, 2nd counselor, P. Nash as Branch clerk

and A. Marshall, assistant branch clerk.

Three young sisters from the branch recently competed in the East Grinstead Town's Music Festival very successfully. Elaine Lawrance aged 14, was awarded 1st in Recorder playing, and a 1st in Pianoforte in her age group. In the under 9's age group, Jody Lawrance gained 2nd place and Bernice Kefford 4th place in Pianoforte.

Congratulations girls.

Congratulations also go to Judith Perry of Crawley Branch, who has been called as Camp Counselor to the Mission's Girls' Camp Programme, and to the following sisters for service awards in Primary.

1 Year Service Award. Eliza Lane and Judith Perry.

2 Years Service Award. Agnes Lawther.

4 Years Service Award. Amelia Baker.  
5 Years Service Award. Marie Marshall.

The awards were presented by the Branch Presidency at the Sacrament meeting on May 18th.

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★ Aaronic Priesthood Commemoration of the Restoration activities for the Crawley District began on Friday May 16th when 60 Aaronic Priesthood holders and their fathers sat down to a banquet which had been prepared by

the District Relief Society under the direction of sister Esther Lawther.

Guests of honour were Pres. Brighty of the Mission Presidency, Pres. and Sis. Dougald C. McKeown of the London Temple and Pres. and Sis. Tassell of the Crawley District Presidency. The following branch presidents were invited to speak, Pres. P. Tanner, Mitcham, Pres. Johnson, Guildford, and Pres. Casbon, Crawley. Pres. Tassell also spoke on "Our Future Leaders" and then presented Victor Palmer with the book "The Restored Church", as a token of appreciation for the work he had carried out with the Aaronic Priesthood in the District. He also organised the banquet and activities for this particular weekend. Pres. McKeown addressed the boys concerning Temple work, and Pres. Brighty, the final speaker, stressed the need to magnify the priesthood and to develop leadership.

A very early start was made the next morning and at 6.30 a.m. the Aaronic Priesthood and their fathers living locally, boarded a coach at the Temple, enroute for a visit to an American Air Force Base. Travelling via Crawley, Mitcham and Kingston they picked more and more brethren until there were 43 boys and dads aboard; then they proceeded to Upper Heyford, Oxfordshire.

At the base gates they were greeted by Major John Lasater of the American Air Force, who also happens to be Branch President of the Oxford Branch. Looking very fine in his full dress uniform, he was to be their guide and

host for the day. The tour of the Base started with the "Flight Simulator" unit, where the boys were allowed to sit in the cockpit of a mock-up jet fighter; and were shown the dials and controls by Bro. Lasater. Next was the Pilots' briefing room, where they learnt how crews were briefed for action, and how operations are planned. Later they moved on to the Aerial Map section and at this time they were also shown pictures of the "Phantom" twin jet fighter that operated from the Base.

Afterwards came the Helicopter Hanger, where they saw over a helicopter, learnt its main functions and heard the pilot explain how rescues are made when a plane crashes and catches fire. Next to the base control tower, where the Duty Officer showed how all fighters are controlled in take-offs and landings. They listened in to conversations between fighter pilots and control and also witnessed a fighter landing with its parachute brake tailing out. Then into a fighter hanger, where they were privileged to inspect, and to be instructed on, the cockpit controls of the latest fighter aircraft, that of the "Phantom". Two other Phantoms were in the hanger, undergoing acceptance tests, having just been flown in from America. Finally they arrived at the Base Cafeteria, where everyone tucked into some food, American style of course. Time then having run out, they took their departure of Major Lasater and tried to express their gratitude for his making their visit such a memorable one.



Bro. Gibbs presents Master M Man Award to Garry Haws of Felixstowe in the British Mission.

## BRITISH MISSION

★ The ESSEX District was host to the rest of the Mission at the ball game finals on May 3rd, a school in CHELMSFORD being the venue. The weather was glorious and helped to aid sales at the refreshment stall provided by the District M.I.A. Supt. Raymond Botterell. He and his wife Jane were in charge of the arrangements at Chelmsford and they were well rewarded by the attendance and smooth running of the events.

The Essex District Netball team from Southend, won through to the zone finals in London.

★ To raise money to aid members of CHELMSFORD M.I.A. to attend the Mission Convention this year, a Guys and Dolls dance was held on Saturday May 10th. Dancing was to records, selected and played by Disc Jockey Peter Hunt, and a live group called Slax,

one of whom is a member of the Church. Mainly young people were in attendance, which was a little disheartening for the organisers, as plans for raising extra money by Dutch auction of a chicken dinner for four, did not raise the expected figure. However the evening was a great success for those who did attend, and £6 was raised towards convention costs.

★ On May 13th the GORLESTON M.I.A. held a sponsored walk to raise funds for their building. About 36 took part in the 12½ mile walk raising just over £100.

★ At the last IPSWICH District Conference held at the Cambridge Chapel, Sister Alice Shelley of the Ipswich Branch, was presented with an Honorary Golden Gleaner Award for her



devoted service in M.I.A. She has served faithfully for 19 years as Y.W.M.I.A. Secretary.

Only one Honorary Master M Man and Golden Gleaner award per Mission or Stake can be nominated each year. It is given to those over 45 years of age who have rendered exceptional service in M.I.A. Sister Shelley is the first one to receive this distinction in the British Mission.

★ Garry Hawes of Felixstowe received his Master M Man certificate and pin from Mission Y.M. Supt. Arthur Gibbs. Other awards presented at the Conference included the 5-a-side Football Trophy for the Ipswich District, which was won by the Colchester Branch and received by Robert Franklin. Also a 5th and 6th year Individual Girls Award Certificate to Jean Dawdry and Susan Dawdry of Ipswich respectively.



Sister Shelley, Ipswich Branch, receives her Honorary Golden Gleaner Award from Sister Phyllis Gibbs.

## LEICESTER STAKE

★ Peter Drew of WOODSETTON was recently called as a missionary to Northern Ireland, and when he left for trouble-torn Belfast, he said that he could not have been happier with the choice—for that was where he was needed. Elder Drew is confident that his faith will see him through, and he hopes that the Irish people will be ready to listen to the truth.

He was baptised at Woodsetton Chapel 18 months ago with his mother, sister and young brother. Since then his testimony has grown in leaps and bounds and he has served a stake mission for 8 months before his call, and was ordained an elder last Christmas.

Before he left he was honoured with a farewell social and presented with an engraved Parker pen. A local "pop" group provided music for dancing and



Jean Dawdry receives her 5th Individual Girls Award from Sister Phyllis Gibbs.

vocal entertainment was by the Missionaires.

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★ Twenty-nine members of the M.I.A. were entered in the Stake Speech Festival which was held at the Stake Centre. The difficult task of adjudicating was done by Pres. and Sis. Barlow and Sis. Ann Reynolds of Lichfield Branch in the Central British Mission. They awarded the following a grading of "Excellent": Robert Sherratt, W. J. Ashmead, Don Hezseltine; Lesley Ashmead, Enid Smith, Denise Stone, Margaret Davies, Peter Drew, June Joseph, Sam Smith, Lynn Harrison, Graham Conway.

Rated Good were: Christine Davies, Keith Stevenson, Pat Jayes, Barbara Smith, Brian Palmer, Helen Craven, Cynthia Baker, Marlene Price, Jane Faulkner, John Bray, Georgia Smedburg, Christine Chadwick, Geoffrey Davies and David Hooker.

In the Festival the Beehives had to tell a story, and the others gave extemporaneous talks, those of the Laurels and Ensigns being based on a picture they were shown, while the M Men Gleaner group were given a question, and the Mutual Study group spoke on "What happiness means to me". The adjudicators said how very pleased they were with the standard of the entries.

The Drama Festival followed, with

three entries. Leicester Ward's play "Four Minutes" was written by David Hooker and received special praise on this account; it was also well produced and received an "Excellent" rating.

Walsall Branch were awarded "Good" with their production of "The Soldier and the Woman", and special commendation went to Margaret Woods, who was unanimously voted the best actress of the evening.

"Martyr in Waiting", presented by Birmingham Ward, was also marked "Good", and the adjudicators complimented the cast on their costumes and choice of subject. In all it was a rewarding evening for all who took part.

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★ BIRMINGHAM Ward held a Farewell social on May 10th for Max and Carole Milligan who are shortly leaving the ward for the Bristol area. The party had a Scottish theme and all the Bishopric sported full Scottish dress. After a medley of Scottish songs from the members of the M.I.A. and a selection from "Chitty chitty bang bang" by the Primary children, there was a sketch written by Dorothy Reeves and performed by the Bishopric and some of the sisters. After an interval in which refreshments were served there were two fancy dress parades, for the under 12's and over 12's. The programme was arranged and organised by Bro. and Sis. Keytes.

## **SCOTTISH MISSION**

★ The annual Visiting Teachers Convention of the Mission was held in the Edinburgh Chapel recently, presided over by Mission Pres. Egbert J. Brown. Sally Brown, Mission Relief Society president conducted the programme which included musical numbers by the Aberdeen and Dundee Singing Mothers, a demonstration on Visiting teaching by the Dundee district, reports from each District Relief Society President, and talks from the Mission leaders. Sister Elva M. Brown, wife of the Mission President, presented corsages to the 100% Visiting teachers.

A meal had been prepared for all those attending the convention, and afterwards musical items were heard from Isabel Green, Hamilton District, and Marva Rydalch, Joyce Roberts and Shirley Topp of the Kilmarnock District. A talk on the history of Relief Society was given by Moira Finnie, Kilmarnock District. Before the meeting closed Shirley Topp, Ayr Branch, was declared the winner of the poem contest with the subject of Visiting Teaching.

★ On April 26th, the KILMARNOCK Branch M.I.A. visited Rowallan Castle, home of the former Chief Scout, Lord Rowallan. The castle was open to visitors that weekend, while the Kilmarnock Flower club held their Spring display of flower arrangements. Arrangements were shown in many interesting ways, all being fine examples of this growing art. One particular setting was a very fine model of a scouts' camp fire, the flowers and leaves being realistically arranged to give the appearance of flames and smoke.

While at the castle the M.I.A. also visited the old castle which is no longer habitable, which was the home of the Muirs of Rowallan. Gilchrist Muir built the original tower on lands granted him by Alexander III after the battle of Largs in 1263. Elizabeth Muir was the first wife of King Robert II. During the 17th century the castle belonged to William Muir a noted covenanter.

## **LEEDS STAKE**

★ Fifty-seven guests sat down at the HUDDERSFIELD M.I.A.'s dinner on May 15th. Guests of honour at the Turkey Dine-Out were Stake Pres. and Sis. Dennis Livesey, celebrating their 22nd year of married happiness. During the

evening 9 awards recently gained at a Creative Arts Exhibition were presented. The food, so deliciously prepared by the Relief Society's culinary wizards, was delicately served by waiters who looked suspiciously like several notable

members of the Ward's Aaronic Priesthood Adult group.

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★ The Tuesday Evening Badminton players at the Leeds Stakehouse are interested in hearing from Wards or Branches who would care to cross racquets with them in friendly matches. Anyone interested can write to them c/o The Stakehouse, Birchencliff, Huddersfield, Yorks.

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★ March saw the Athletic programme well on its way with the Stake Athletic Meet held at Cleckheaton. A good number of participants turned up and were cheered on by a larger crowd of spectators than has usually been present. It was obvious by the results that many of the Stake's young athletes have been in hard training and fair notice is given that they will go on to the British Finals with resolution and determination backed by strenuous training.

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★ A Restoration Ball was held on May 16th at the Stake House, as part of a week-end of Commemoration Events to recall the restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood. The decoration of the hall was a joint effort and a fine example of inter-co-operation. The 3rd Elders Quorum blacked out the windows and pro-

vided the fairyland illuminations whilst several talented young saints from the Leeds Ward added the decorations which included an ingenious waterfall. Catering by the Relief Society sisters of the Bradford ward was excellent, but unfortunately the demand exceeded the supply. A giant cake was sung in to a chorus of "Happy Birthday to us", led by Master Chorister Elder Paddy Ryan of the Stake High Council. Music for the evening was provided by the Ken Baxter Six, and proved to be of a very high standard, with a programme enjoyed by young and old alike. During the interval dancing exhibitions were given by several wards, and Huddersfield presented a very pleasing display of precision dancing. The team, led and trained by Mutual leader Jean Ford, had an extra dancer in it's ranks when it entered the hall to perform in the person of Bishop Neil McEwen. The spirit of the evening was one of high standards, friendship, and gratitude for all those who had worked so hard to make the Ball the success that it so evidently was.

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★ BARNSELEY Branch held an outing on April 25th when 25 members attended a stirring performance of "Waltzes in Vienna" produced by the Barnsley YMCA Amateur Operatic Society. Everyone enjoyed it very much especially Branch Pres. T. Howard Firth, who led a sing song on the way home.





Pat Matharay warming up in the ladies long jump event.



Fred Petty winning the high jump, note his long legs.



Ann Smithson winning the long jump event.



Stephen Turner breasting tape to gain 200 yd. crown.

## SUNDERLAND STAKE

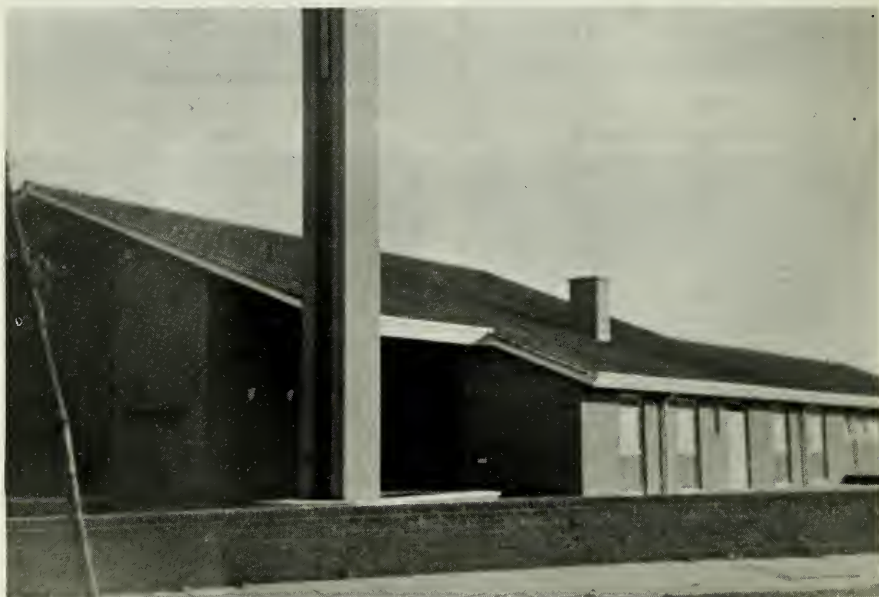
★ Darwin Laurie, aged 12, a deacon in the HARTLEPOOL Ward recently won £10 in premium bonds for inventing the best Hartlepool slogan, which was, "Hartlepool for power and progress". This slogan will be franked on 8,000,000 letters in the next few years. Darwin received his prize from the Mayor, in the Mayor's parlour. A representative of

the firm constructing an atomic power station at Seaton Carew, near Hartlepool, was also present.

★ On Friday, May 2nd, the PETERLEE Primary held a Pie and Pea supper. After the meal, a film entitled "Zion Builders" was shown. This had been filmed by Edward Woodmas during the

building of the Peterlee chapel. North Shield members, who are to construct a chapel like this one, were also invited. Happy memories were brought back to the members as they watched the film and the visitors saw what a good time the saints had as Zion Builders.

★ A team of Peterlee and Billingham girls won the Stake Netball competition on May 3rd at Sunderland. They will next play against the Manchester Stake team. The girls are: Christine Amos, Anne Bowron, Jane Gizzie, Janis Noble, Denise Noble, Trudy Graham and Barbara Fortune.



Billingham Chapel recently dedicated by Elder John Longden.

## Billingham Chapel Dedicated

★ BILLINGHAM Ward chapel was dedicated on Sunday May 18th. Members have worked hard to raise the money to pay off their debt in less than a year from the opening date.

Speakers at the service were Bishop John Dale, Building Supervisor Horace

Footte, Stake Pres. Frederick W. Oates and Elder John Longden, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, who offered the dedicatory prayer. Ann Ingram bore her testimony and the Ward Relief Society and Priesthood choirs also took part in the programme.

## Elder Longden Dedicates South London Ward Chapel

★ "Satan had the audacity to tempt Christ. He will not hesitate to tempt us."

These were the words of Elder John Longden, Assistant to the Council of Twelve at the dedication of the South London Ward Chapel on Sunday, 9th May, 1969. He went on to say Satan is running amock among young people today. Advertisers make evil things look very tempting and very desirable but these people are only concerned with parting you from your money. They are not concerned with your health, your welfare, your soul or your eternal salvation.

The Church is concerned with saving souls and with eternal progression. Service in the Church is the way to defeat Satan and the road to salvation. Honour those people who are set to preside over you. Answer calls to serve. It has taken effort and sacrifice to build and pay for this fine Chapel—don't stop now, there is much to do. Service and warnings of santanic influences around us were the theme of his talk.

Over 400 people were in attendance. South London Ward Choir sang "The Morning Breaks" and "What was Witnessed in the Heavens?" Sisters Marie



South London Chapel dedicated by Elder John Longden.

Chiles and Pauline Doggett sang "The Lord is my Shepherd".

Other talks were given by Elder David Fletcher, who was a building missionary on the construction, and Elder Bert Watson of the Bishopric who also recalled instances which happened during the construction of the Chapel. Bishop Walter J. Chiles, who was Bishop of the South London Ward during construction, and Pres. Joseph W. Darling, who was President of the London Stake during construction reminisced on how their testimonies had been strengthened by events that had happened to them on this site.

Bishop W. F. Stevenson spoke on the theme "Lift up your Light that it may

shine unto the world. behold, I am the Light which you should hold up" and Stake Pres. Joseph Hamstead, spoke of the Church programmes and our future. He said, "this is only one instance in a fast-growing Church and further evidence that the work of the Lord is being speeded". Bishop W. F. Stevenson read messages from Bishop Terence F. Greenwood, first Bishop of the South London Ward, and Elder Ephraim Falslev, who was the Building Supervisor—both now residing in Utah. The soundness of the building was tested when the congregation fairly raised the roof in singing "God of our Fathers". It was inded a spiritual feast which will be long remembered by all who were present.

## CONGRATULATIONS

### BIRTHS

★ To Bro. and Sis. Wall, Grimsby Branch, North British Mission, a son, Zeth.

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★ To James and Marie Davies, Hereford Branch, Central British Mission, a son, Jonathan Gareth Huw.

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★ To Rodney and Valerie Dovaston, Hereford Branch, Central British Mission, a son.

★ April 17th—To Jack and Wendy Oldham, Gorleston Branch, British Mission, twin sons, Robert and Richard.

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★ April 17th—To Andrew and Kathleen McMurray, (nee Haynes), Hucknall Branch, Leicester Stake, a son, David Andrew.

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★ April 26th—To Peter and Patricia Copeman, (nee Whittaker) formerly of Norwich Branch, British Mission, now residing in Malta, a son, Richard Peter.



★ May 9th—To Bro. and Sis. John Jest, Chelmsford Branch, British Mission, a son, Graham John.

## ENGAGEMENTS

★Averial Ann Collier of Dundee to Arthur V. Harris of Helston, Cornwall. The couple will be married in the Preston Chapel on 6th September 1969, and will attend the Temple on the 8th September. They wish to extend an invitation to any of their friends who can be with them.

★ Albert George Harris, Cornwall, at present with H.M.F. in Germany, to Miss Saline Wilke of Iserlohn, Germany.

★ Anthony J. Breen to Wendy F. Bigwood, both of Ilford Branch, British Mission.

## MARRIAGES

★ On the 19th April 1969, the marriage between Ian Leslie Thorpe and Kelsay Gibbard both of Rugby, took place at the Northampton Chapel. The Ceremony was performed by Pres. Alan Hughes of Rugby Branch. The bride wore a white



Kellsay Gibbard, Ian Thorpe after their wedding at Northampton Chapel.

silk dress with a long lace train, a headress of flowers and veil completed her ensemble. There were five bridesmaids who were cousins of the bride and bridegroom, and the best man was the groom's brother Adrian.

The reception took place at the New Bilton Conservative Club, Rugby.

## OBITUARIES

★ Edith Brown of the Mansfield Branch, Leicester stake, passed away suddenly on April 22nd 1969. A member of the Church since her teenage years, Sis. Brown held many positions in the branch mainly connected with Relief Society, and until the time of her death

she was responsible for making articles for bazaars, where she was noted for her insistence on a high standard of workmanship in her own and other people's work. She had a lovely contralto voice and often sang in branch meetings; she was also the branch chorister for many years as well as serving as Stake chorister and a member of the Stake Relief Society Board.

Sister Brown was indeed a gifted person with many qualities, supporting her family throughout her husband's long illness, without a word of complaint. Her life was a wonderful example to those who knew her and she will be greatly missed.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the remaining members of her family.

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★ Alberta Trickett of Carlisle Branch, passed peacefully away in her sleep on May 19th aged 71, after suffering for a number of years with a serious heart condition.

She was a faithful member and worked hard in Relief Society where she contributed greatly with her beautiful knitting.

The funeral service was held on May 22nd at the Carlisle Chapel under the direction of Pres. Ramsbottom. A talk on the Resurrection was given by Elder Britton and Pres. Ramsbottom paid tribute to Sis. Trickett's sincerity and devotion to the Church. Pres. Irvine dedicated the grave.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

★ Those people who were at Leicester Regional meeting and wanted to know how to get "Plastitak" in this country, please contact:

Sis. Una V. Budge, 47 Manor Court, Leigham Avenue, London S.W.16.

★ Funeral services were held for Norman Langridge of the South London Ward on 4th April. Bro. Langridge was 68 and had been a member of the Church eight years.

Bishop W. F. Stevenson at the funeral said of Bro. Langridge:

"He was very close to the Lord and he came here against all odds, and in spite of his physical inability. Although his body was frail he radiated a spirit of strength and love that endeared him to all who knew him, and the spiritually weak were inspired by his strength."

Although he suffered from great pain, he was always to be seen in the South London Ward Chapel with his portable oxygen bottle, an inspiration to many people. He never gave up, said Bishop Stevenson. He longed to serve the Lord but had been physically incapable of doing so for a long time.



British South Mission Dance Festival.

## 400 Attend Dance Festival In British South Mission

By Gillian Brown-Lee

★ On April 26th, the British South Mission held its annual Dance Festival at the Reading Chapel. The Festival, which was run by the Thames Valley District Y.W.M.I.A. Leaders, had as its theme "A Century of Dance", in commemoration of this, the centenary year of the Y.W.M.I.A.

The judges were President Peter Williams, and Gladys Williams, of Peterborough Branch, Central British Mission,

and Joan Child, the wife of British South Mission President, J. W. Child.

The theme was admirably carried by over sixty dancers from the four Districts of the Mission, who performed dances from each 25 years of the century 1869-1969. The dresses were very colourful and well thought out, and the over all performance was excellent entertainment. Included in the wonderful variety of dances were the

square dance, cha cha, swing, tango, rhumba, waltz cotillion, and Floral Dance.

The Festival was won by Portsmouth District with an excellent display, including the old time waltz, polka, Veleta, La Mascott, quickstep, Charleston, modern waltz, Madison, and March of the Mods.

Gifts were presented to the two lady judges by Kate Rickers and Carolyn Brown-Lee of the High Wycombe Branch, Thames Valley District.

★ The Dance Festival was followed at 8.00 p.m. by the Mission Ball, which was also organised by the Thames Valley District M.I.A. Leaders, with President Derek Parkin, 2nd counselor in the District Presidency as M.C. and Betty Hunter in charge of the refresh-

ments team.

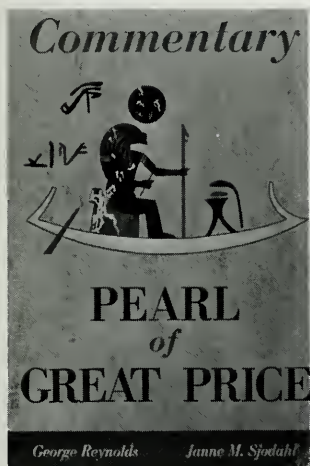
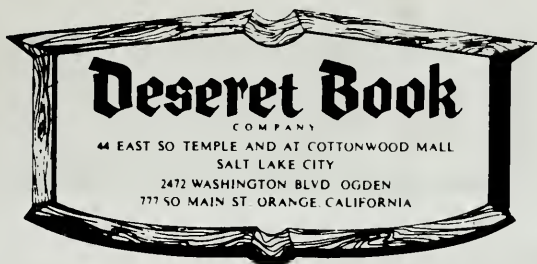
About 400 people attended the ball, which was an outstanding success. The hall was beautifully decorated to a national theme, with giant gold wreaths with red, white and blue rosette centres. The square of the dance floor was outlined up above by large red, white streamers. Suspended from the ceiling were more flowers and streamers in large hanging baskets. Around the walls hung plaques joined by red, white and blue paper hangings.

The short but unusual cabaret was provided by Betty Hunter and Norman Harmon from the winning team in this year's "Come Dancing" programme. They performed a new progressive dance done on Television, called "The Witzie Bounce", and afterwards taught it to a large number of the dancers.



Darwin Laurie receiving his prize from the Mayor of Hartlepool. (Photo courtesy of the Northern Daily Mail.)





### "Commentary on The Pearl of Great Price"

By George Reynolds &  
Janne M. Sjodahl

Have you heard the stirring conviction of Elder George Reynolds, or the quiet scholarship of Elder Janne M. Sjodahl concerning the truths and beauties of The Pearl of Great Price? If not, then this Commentary should have spiritual and intellectual excitement for you.

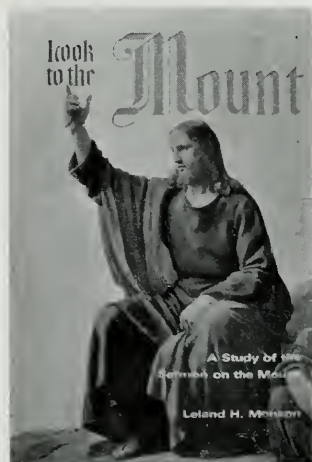
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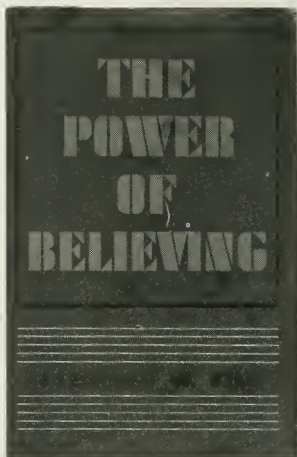
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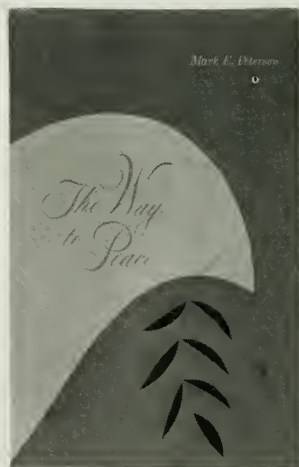
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